



Higham Times

News, Views & Town Events



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May 2023

Welcome to the 39th edition of the Higham Times.

Since the last Newsletter in February, there has been lots going on, in and around our town.

Our wonderful community and craft volunteers have been busy creating and assembling yarnbombing decorations around the Market Square and High Street to celebrate Kings Charles III's coronation which will take place on Saturday 6th May 2023. There is a competition for the best decorated property so we hope you all get involved and vote for your favourites. Residents can also order a Coronation Coin as a souvenir.

Keep reading for updates from the Town Council regarding a summary of the Mayor's report for 2022/23, results of the community centre consultation, new minibus service trial and advertising opportunities for local community groups and businesses. There are updates from Higham Ferrers Tourism, St Marys Church, Hope Methodist Church, local schools and community groups. For the most current information about

what is happening in the town, we encourage you to check the Town Council website (www.highamferrers-tc.gov.uk) and social media pages for regular updates. There is also a Town App with lots of useful local information.



If you have an article about local news or events which you would like to be included in the next edition of the Higham Times in August then please forward the information to;

donna@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk no later than
3rd July 2023.

Thank you for your continued support.

Donna Anderson, Editor

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CORONATION COINS

We will be gifting commemorative coronation coins to children attending the primary schools and nurseries in Higham Ferrers.

We are also giving residents the option to place orders. You can complete an order form at the Town Hall, Market Square, or scan the QR code. The cost will depend on demand but we expect it to be no more than £4 per coin, to be paid on collection.

Order Deadline: Friday 12th May!



Dates for 2023



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our market's 21st birthday celebrations in April! We look forward to many more years of quality local produce available in our historic Market Square.

JULY	29th
AUGUST	26th
SEPTEMBER	30th
OCTOBER	28th
NOVEMBER	25th
DECEMBER	23rd

your local market	MAY	27th
	JUNE	24th

Market Square, Higham Ferrers, NN10 8BT
Tel: 01933 312075



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9AM - 4PM SATURDAYS

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CATERS UP TO 25 PEOPLE

HERITAGE FAMILY FUN DAY

SUNDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2023
AT RUSHDEN LAKES FROM 10AM-4PM

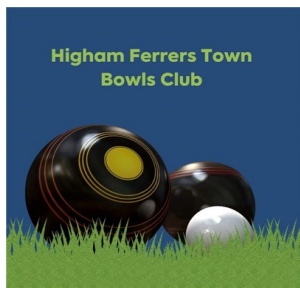


STALLS, ACTIVITIES, AND MUCH MORE...

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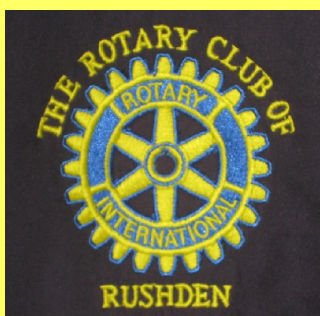
Higham's best kept secret - Higham Ferrers Town Bowls Club is located within Saffron Road Recreation Ground but many don't realise this because of the hedge that surrounds most of the club. The club has been an important part of the local community for over 70 years. It celebrated its 75th anniversary during covid. Bowling this year starts on Saturday 22nd April with a coffee and cake morning from 10.00am with bowling afterwards. Non members are welcome to pop down.

Steve Bunker is the new club president. He has been a member of the club for 20 years and said "We are really proud of the heritage of our club but for it to thrive we need new members. 2022 was the best year in recent times with over 30 new members joining the club".

Higham Bowls Club is fortunate to have in Steve & Velda Cooper, two experienced Bowls England accredited coaches. Last year they ran a three month free coaching course for new members. The response was phenomenal, with lots of positive comments from the new members. Steve & Velda will be repeating this coaching course again this year to help those that have never bowled before. Velda said "All you need is a pair of flat soled shoes and Steve & I will provide the coaching. All other equipment including bowls are supplied."

The fee for new members in the first year is just £35 for which they can enjoy 6 months of outdoor bowling amongst friends. This will be the only outlay as bowls are provided by the club until ready to purchase your own, so no excuse not to pop down and give it a try.

The club does have an **Open Day on Saturday 27th May**. Further details will be posted on Facebook and advertised on the Higham Ferrers Town App. Steve Bunker said "We are a friendly club and you will be made to feel very welcome. So come down and check us out." Should you want to know more about Higham's best kept secret then visit the club website, highamferrersbowlsclub.org.uk



The Rotary Club of Rushden is actively seeking new Members.

We are looking for people who want to become involved in helping a number of organisations locally, nationally and internationally. Our Members are people from all walks of life who want to help and do good. The Club prides itself on having a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, with varied activities of a social, fun and charitable

fundraising nature. If The Rotary Club of Rushden is the kind of organisation you think you would like to be involved with or if you just want to find out more about Rotary, please get in touch with us by phone or email and find out how you can make a real difference.

Contact Anton Rudgalvis on 07542 822385. anton.rudgalvis@btinternet.com

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and Rushden Town Council, Rushden Hall &
Higham Ferrers Town Council, Town Hall.



www.shirecommunityservices.org.uk





Summary of the Mayor's Annual Report of the Town Council 2022/23

Full report is available at www.highamferrers-tc.gov.uk

Planning

54 planning applications have been considered with our consultation responses submitted to North Northamptonshire Council.

The Mayor's report last year stated that 'Rushden East decision is awaited on the outline planning application'. A year on I must report this still remains the case.

The Council have met with the developers, Harper Crewe (Higham Ferrers) Limited, regarding the delivery of the 300 houses on the land to the east of the Ferrers School. With outline planning permission granted for the site, the planning application for the reserved matter schemes has been submitted.

Events

On Sunday 5th June we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The community decorated the Market Square and the Recreation Ground with red, white and blue yarn bombing. Although the weather wasn't on our side, our residents still came to the Recreation Ground to support us and the fantastic entertainment on stage. The free activities available for the children to take part in went down well and kept them occupied.

On the 8th September Queen Elizabeth II sadly passed away. Her Majesty was a tireless servant of this country and we remember with gratitude and affection her lifetime of service as our longest reigning monarch. We were so fortunate to welcome Her Majesty to Higham Ferrers on two occasions, in 1965 and 1985, and these special moments will live long in the memory of local people.

Saturday the 19th November saw another amazing Christmas Sparkle. It was quite damp but despite the rain the attendance was outstanding as always. The town also sparkled with the return of the Christmas Tree and the yarn bombing made its now regular appearance.

Local Businesses

In June we welcomed our eco friendly, zero waste shop, Higham Refill, who won the Mayor's Choice for the Christmas Best Dressed Shop Window. In November Hockridge Mortgage Brokers took to their new offices in International House, Midland Road. We also welcomed Lily Rose Floral Design onto the High Street, who took home the People's Choice award for the Best Dressed Shop Window. Finally, we welcomed Age UK Northamptonshire into the building where Colemans Stationary used to be.

The first 'new style' Business Forum meeting was held on the 23rd November. The meeting was well attended and provided the opportunity for local businesses to network.

General

The Community Room on Midland Road opened for hire in August. The level of use has been slower on the take up than we expected but we continue to regularly promote it. Northamptonshire Carers are beginning a regular hire and it has also been used by our craft volunteers to meet and create yarnbombing displays.

In August we launched our Interactive Heritage Trail. Promotion of the Heritage Trail was also heightened by its inclusion to one side of the new information panel on the Market Square. To the other side of the panel is the Charters Timeline. The information panel brings the rich heritage of the town in a very visual and easily accessible way.

Our parks and open spaces are a very important part of the town. The land to the rear of Henry Chichele School provides excellent views across the River Nene and we refer to it as 'Higham Heights'. To compliment the views and the Queen's Green Canopy tree planting, three new benches and a finger post sign have been installed.

The Climate Change Working Party has been meeting regularly in their work towards supporting making the Unitary area carbon neutral by 2030. The groups 'Bee Squared' project is quickly moving towards the final stage, which is designed to help our bees and other pollinators which have massively declined over the past 50 years. The project will specifically help them by giving them plenty of refuelling stops as they busily travel through the town. The Council has given every primary school pupil a cornflower mixture seed pack for sowing. So, watch out for the profusion of colour in the town's gardens and flowerpots in the early summer.

In September the Rushden-Higham link bus stopped running following notice from the contractor, Expresslines. Despite a series of meetings, a new service was not viable. Other options were explored and in conjunction with Rushden Town Council we are entering a six month trial of a demand led minibus service delivered by 'Wellibus', part of Shire Community Services.

Councillors & Staff

Thank you to all the councillors for the hard work they have done this year. Not forgetting Councillor McCann's incredible charity bike ride from the Town Hall to the door of No. 10 Downing Street.

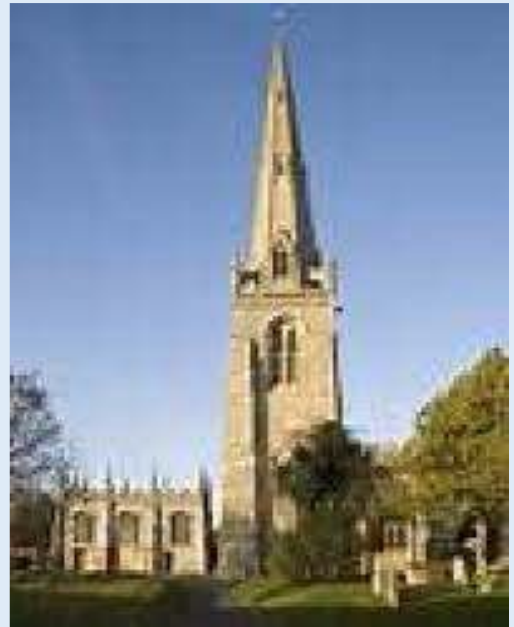
April saw Lauren Houlihan join the staff as our new Administration and Communications officer. In October we said goodbye to our Park Warden Chris Spring who had been with us since 2016 and we were very sorry to see him leave.

St Mary's and St. John's

At Last!

On Palm Sunday the churchwardens of both St. Mary's and St. John's, each in their own church, made the following announcement:

"I am delighted to announce that following interview, and with the agreement of Bishop John and the Parish Representatives, The Reverend Louise Bishop, currently Assistant Priest at St. James' Church, Weybridge, has been offered and has accepted the invitation to become Vicar of the Higham Ferrers and Chelveston-cum-Caldecott Benefice. The appointment is subject to the normal Church of England legal and administrative procedures."

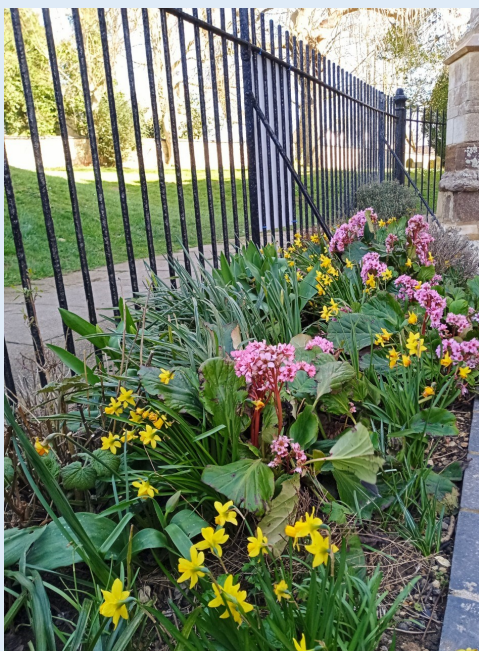


So what happens next?

First of all, Revd. Louise will need to finalise all the work in progress in her existing parish, and begin the long process of taking leave of her parishioners, many of whom over the time of her service there will have become firm friends. Not an easy business.

And at the same time, she will want to begin the process of getting to know us—her new parishioners—as she prepares for her ministry here. Hopefully this will mean a series of visits on the "Getting to Know You" theme—the start of a long and successful relationship on all our part.

And finally, there will be a question of where to live with husband Alan and son Alex. As many parishioners know, the Vicarage in Wood Street (owned by and the responsibility of the Diocese of Peterborough, not the parish or benefice) is in a very poor condition, having been largely uninhabited for 4 years, and having suffered from bursts and leaks during this winter's frosts. Work is now in hand to repair this, but drying out will take time, as will the building work needed. So much to be done and decided here.

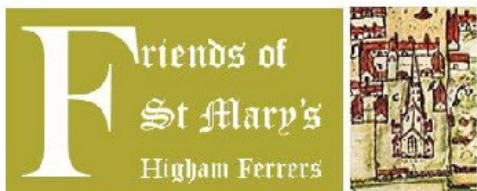


And after all this?

On Wednesday 5th July at 7.30 p.m. at a service in St. Mary's Church, Revd. Louise will be Instituted by Bishop John, and Inducted by Archdeacon Alison, and we'll have "a bit of a do", and once more Higham Ferrers and Chelveston-cum-Caldecott will have a Vicar.

So watch out for the next edition of *Higham Times*, when we shall be able to use this space to let Revd.

Louise introduce herself.



Going for Gold ...

Spring has arrived, summer is on its way and the churchyard is full of flowers for you to enjoy.

In November, the local branch of The Wildlife Trust Churchyard Conservation Award Scheme held their annual forum at our invitation in the Bede House. This was attended by over 30 other churchyard conservation groups, many of whom were presented with a Churchyard Conservation Award. We had the opportunity to describe our recent rewilding work including the reprieve of the maple tree to the rear of Church Walk, planting of a shrub bed and the tending of the wildflower meadow.

Among the many issues and ideas discussed at the forum were the benefits of a cutting garden both for beautifying the church in an environmentally friendly way and providing more pollinator-friendly flowers in the churchyard. Before starting we will consult with St. Mary's talented flowers arrangers and research into plants favoured by bees, butterflies and moths. So, watch this space as we begin to plant foxgloves, hollyhocks, delphiniums, daisy-style dahlias and many more flowers.



Foxgloves

St. Mary's churchyard is well on its way to applying for a Gold Award next year. We strive to make it one of the best for wildlife with a conservation plan which aims to establish a greater range of habitats and species. The peregrine falcons may be the stars but there is much else to appreciate so please pay a visit and sit a while.

Would you like to help to keep the churchyard looking lovely?

We have a small team of dedicated garden volunteers who, on a Thursday morning, help to keep the churchyard looking lovely. New recruits would be most welcome.

If you would like to find out more, please seek us out from 10am until noon.

Are you a Friend of St Mary's?

If you would like to support the work we do, please pick up a leaflet from the weatherproof container in the World War One Memorial Garden or visit our website www.friendsstmaryshigham.org.uk for details.

WHAT'S ON 2023



Coronation Day Celebration

CORONATION ART EXHIBITION

Monday 8 May | 10am – 4pm

To celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III we are holding an Art Competition in Chichele College for local school children and young people in the town, kindly sponsored by Wilson Browne Solicitors.

Portraits of kings and queens from medieval times to the present day will be on display.

Prizes and certificates will be awarded by the Mayor at 2.30pm.

FREE ENTRY | EVERYONE WELCOME

LIVE at Chichele College

Listen to music for FREE

Presented in association with Higham Ferrers Town Council.

DEANNE DEXETER

Friday 30 June | 7.30pm

An evening of country style music.

For art lovers



EXHIBITIONS AT CHICHELE COLLEGE

u3a Art for Fun 29 April

Margaret Finch 13–14 May

Share Photography 26–28 August

Suzanne Hazelwood 16–17 September

Visit www.highamferrerstourism.org.uk for details. **FREE ENTRY**

If you just want to relax ...

BRASS ON THE GRASS

Sunday 16 July | 3–5pm

Listen to the Raunds Temperance Brass Band in the churchyard. Presented in association with Higham Ferrers Town Council and St Marys Church, this traditional way to spend a summer Sunday afternoon has become an annual event. **REFRESHMENTS | FREE ENTRY**

Interested in heritage?

ARCHAEOLOGY ALLSORTS

Saturday 29–Sunday 30 July

The Higham Ferrers Archaeology and Research Society are holding a heritage exhibition as part of the CBA Festival of Archaeology 2023 – experts will be on hand to identify your finds, there will be activities for families and a display of traditional artisan crafts.

www.hifars.co.uk. **FREE ENTRY**

Love gardening?

CHICHELE GARDEN FAIR

Saturday 27 May | 9am – 3pm



Many stunning plants and beautiful garden items for sale. Another chance to see the Coronation Art Exhibition by local school children. FREE ENTRY

SECRET GARDENS

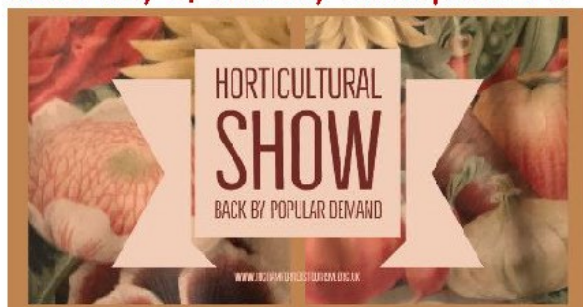
Sunday 25 June 12 noon–5pm



A chance to visit the beautiful hidden gardens in Higham Ferrers. Maps £5 – available on Market Square on the day.

HIGHAM HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Saturday 9/Sunday 10 September



Another chance to show your skills at growing vegetables, fruit and flowers,

baking cakes and making preserves. Or just come along to admire the prizewinning exhibits. FREE ENTRY.

For entry details visit our website at www.highamferrerstourism.org.uk

Fun for all the family

TOWN-WIDE GARAGE SALE

Saturday 26 August | from 9 am

A chance to sell those unwanted items cluttering up your home or to pick a bargain.

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 27 October 7.30pm

A fun quiz night for everyone.

BEDE HOUSE | LICENSED BAR

SANTA'S GROTTTO

Saturday 18 November



For a pre-Christmas treat that's as magical as Christmas itself visit Santa's Grotto in his winter wonderland.

HIGHAM FERRERS TOURISM

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP



Details correct at time of going to print –see our website for latest information

www.highamferrerstourism.org.uk



HIGHAM FERRERS TOWN COUNCIL FEEDBACK FROM THE COMMUNITY CENTRE CONSULTATION 2023

The Town Council held two consultation events in February, giving residents an opportunity to view the plans and learn more about the proposal from the Council and the architects.

Every household in the town received a leaflet advising of our consultation.

Thank you to all those that took part.

We received 474 responses from 3872 households equating to 12.4%. To follow is an overview of the responses.



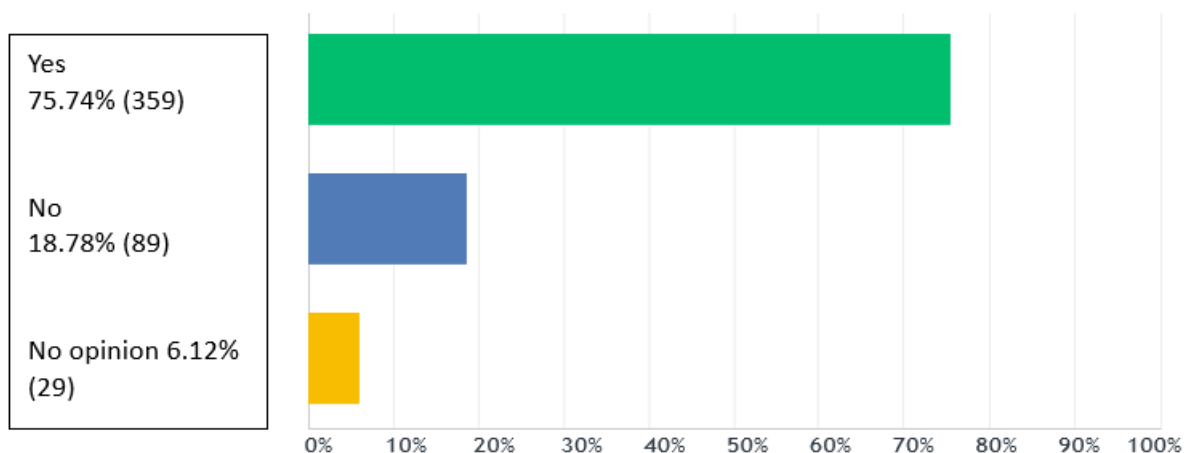
For further project information, or for the answers to frequently asked questions that have arisen through your comments please refer to our website or call/email the Town Council offices 01933 312075 for a copy.

clerk@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk

www.highamferrers-tc.gov.uk/community-centre-project

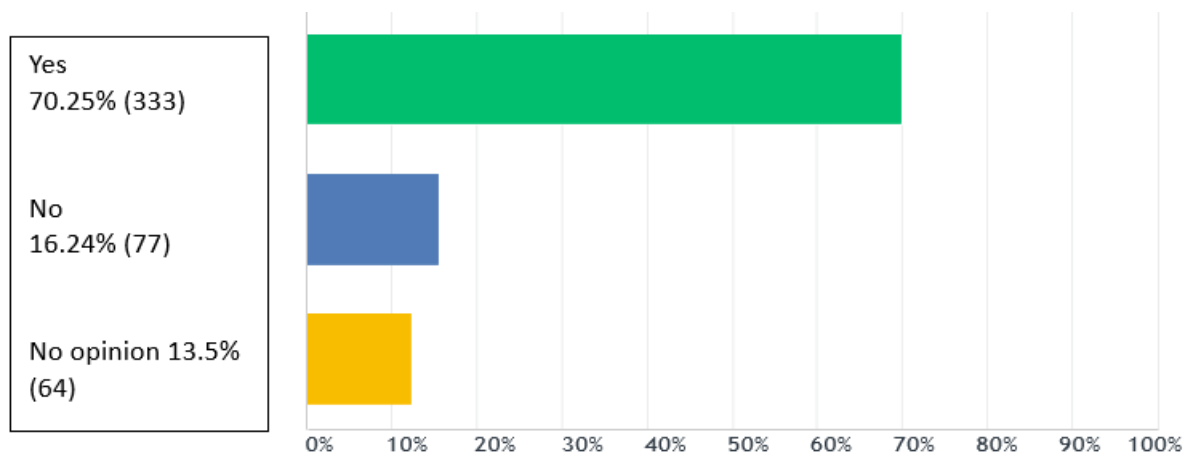
Q1 The existing Sports Pavilion will be demolished to make space for the new building. Do you agree with the location of the new building within Saffron Road Recreation Ground in the position where the Sports Pavilion is currently located?

Total respondents: 474 (93 additional comments)



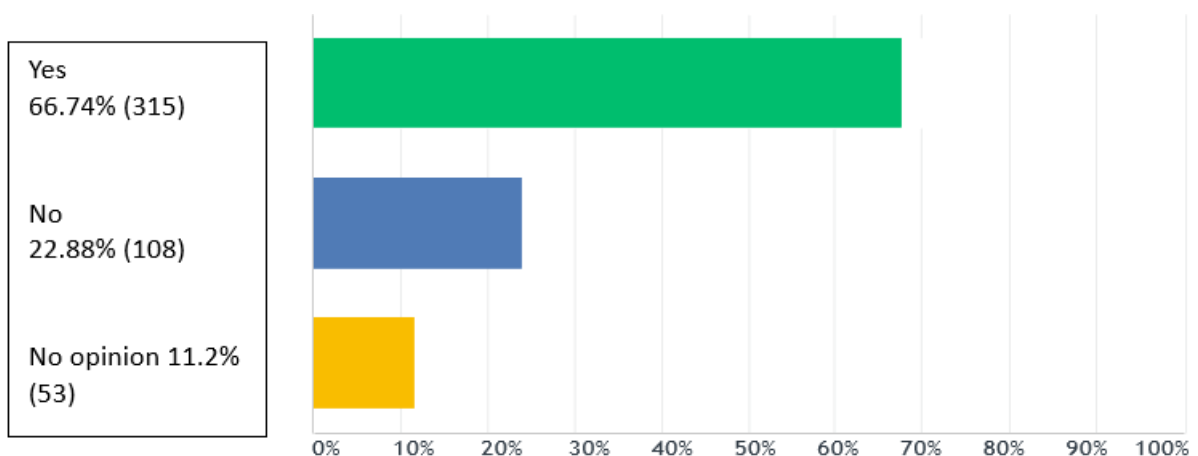
Q2 Do you like the external appearance and proposed use of materials for the building?

Total respondents: 474 (73 additional comments)



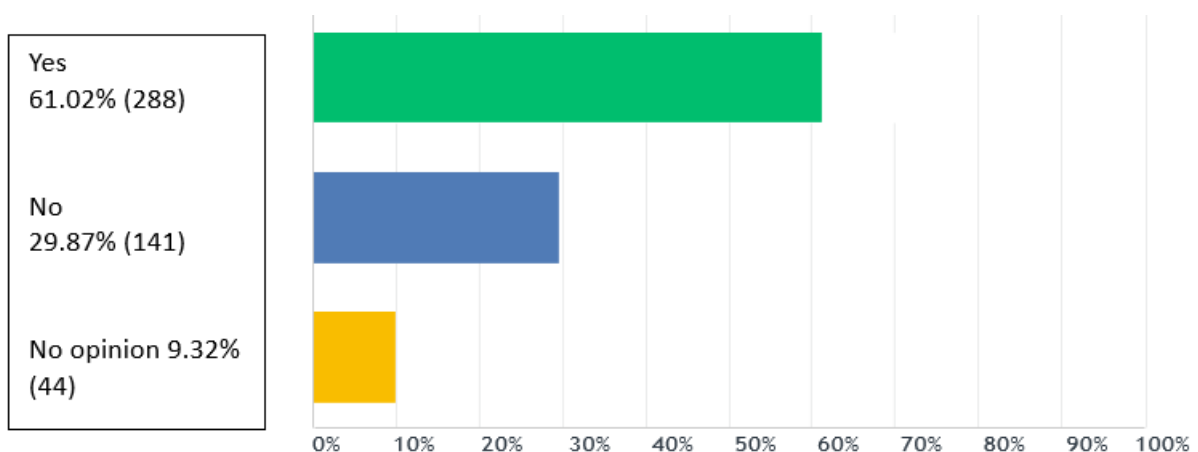
Q3 Do you support the design and layout shown for the ground floor?

Total respondents: 472 (104 additional comments)



Q4 Office space is limited in the current Town Hall building on the Market Square. Do you support the inclusion of council office space, archives and storage on the 1st floor?

Total respondents: 472 (135 additional comments)

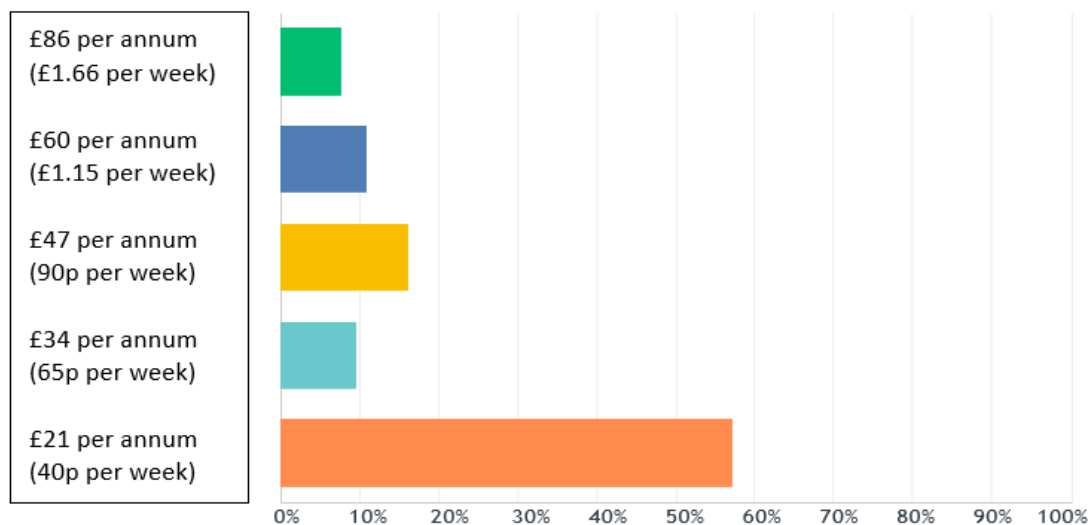


Q5 The building will be funded partly by council monies already held in reserves, part grants and part borrowing. Please indicate what level of increase to your council tax you would support to allow the loan repayment.

There are 8 council tax property value bands, A (lowest) to H (highest), with band D representing a midpoint of a typical family home. The figures below are based on a band D property in Higham Ferrers.

What level of increase to your council tax would you support to service loan repayments to facilitate delivery of the project? (choose 1)

Total respondents: 474



£86 per annum increase at 7.81%	(37)
£60 per annum increase at 11.18%	(53)
£47 per annum increase at 16.46%	(78)
£34 per annum increase at 9.70%	(46)
£21 per annum increase at 57.38%	(272)

Q6 Other comments on the overall proposal and the need for the building.

221 comments received, 87 of which stated they wanted no increase in the council tax.

Proposed next steps for the council following consultation responses and in order to facilitate a project decision:-

- Update the projection of possible grant funding available.
- Re-evaluate the need for Town Council offices within the building given the last consultation was 2019 and pre-covid.
- Re-evaluate the need for a large community space within the building given the last consultation was 2019 and pre-covid. Re-assess what community spaces are available for hire in the town and their level of use.
- Update projection of expected use and level of income for the building.
- Detailed budgeting for review of net cost to the council. In 2019 £50,000 was used as a suggested net cost.



The wonderful crafters in Higham Ferrers have been at it again, creating fabulous red, white and blue decorations to adorn the Market Square for King Charles III Coronation on Saturday 6th May 2023.



This edition of the Higham Times will have been sent to print in mid-April so unfortunately we can not share photos of the yarnbombing display or Coronation celebrations yet but there will be a review in the summer edition of this newsletter. For now we have some photos of the work

in progress including some of the amazing volunteers who have dedicated their time and skills to mending, creating and displaying these festive decorations throughout our town.

A huge thank you to everyone who has helped with this project. If you are interested in helping with future craft projects, please contact us on 01933 312075 or email donna@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk





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Shop Assistant Ann Milne and Assistant Manager Chrissy Nash with the Mayor.



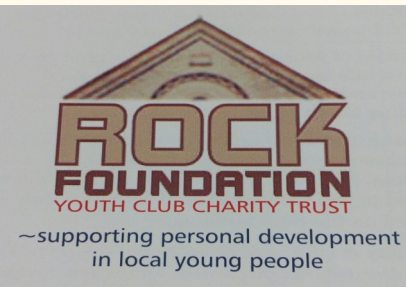
The Mayor was pleased to attend the opening of Age UK's new shop in our High Street, situated where Colemans used to be. We wish the charity and staff the best in their new location.



Karen Holmes, Joey Coleman with Nerissa Haimes our Kettering shop manager.



The Mayor with Cllr Pam Whiting, our chair of trustees Paul Bertin, Cllr Tina Reavey and Cllr Sean Prosser.



THE ROCK FOUNDATION YOUTH CLUB CHARITABLE TRUST charity no. 304242

HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE

Spring has sprung! After the restrictions of wintery weather, it is not only nature that sprouts and shoots, young people's activities begin to blossom once more.

Friends meet, hobbies resume, sport, music, the arts, all open up again, clubs and groups tackle new adventures... *not easy, in many cases as funds are needed.*

THE ROCK FOUNDATION YOUTH CLUB CHARITABLE TRUST is here to help!

There is no longer a youth club associated with the name, but there is a Charitable Trust, and young people between the ages of 11 - 21years, living in the area local to Rushden and Higham Ferrers, who think that they would benefit from financial help for personal development purposes, and local groups and organisations with projects that fall within the Trust remit are invited to apply for a small grant from the Trust.

In the past we have helped to fund school projects, activities connected with uniformed bodies, individual tuition and training, aids towards personal interests and sporting equipment.

This year it could be you!

For more information, pick up a leaflet from Higham Ferrers Town Hall, Rushden Library or by email to rockfoundationrushden@btinternet.com



The Ron Manning Day & Activity Centre

76 Upper Kings Avenue | Higham Ferrers | NN10 8JZ

Mondays and Wednesdays

More days available subject to demand



Days are filled with activities and a hot meal and refreshments are provided.

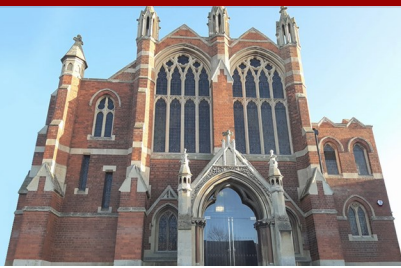
£29 per day - Transport £5 per day

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www.serve.org.uk

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The Methodist Church

01933 312778

minister@hopemethodistrushden.org.uk

Forth coming Events planned at Hope Methodist Church:

- Rushden Band Concert 29th April at 7.30pm, £10 with snacks served.
- Pudding Tasting Competition and a Food Quiz 20th May at 6.30pm, donations welcome.
- Handbell Ringers 1st July.
- Garage Sale and coffee morning, date and time to be confirmed.
- Afternoon Tea, 21st September.
- Archive Film Evening on 7th October at 7pm with Jacket potatoes.

FREE ENTRY

Friends of
Higham Ferrers Nursery & Infant School

Summer Festival

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

Bbq
Bar
Tombola
Craft stalls
Pre-loved uniform sale
Glitter tattoos
Cake stall
Raffle
Fun games
Bouncy castle
Ice cream

SATURDAY
15TH JULY 2023
11AM - 2PM
AT HIGHAM FERRERS NURSERY & INFANT SCHOOL

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Friends of
Higham Ferrers Nursery & Infant School

COLOUR RUN

SUNDAY
21ST MAY
2023
11AM

FREE
TO SIGN UP
(£5 MINIMUM SPONSORSHIP REQUIRED)
YOU RECEIVE A WHITE TSHIRT, COLOUR POWDER POUCH AND MEDAL

ON HIGHAM FERRERS CRICKET GROUND

THIS EVENT HAS BEEN ORGANISED BY THE FRIENDS OF HIGHAM FERRERS NURSERY & INFANT SCHOOL AND IS AIMED AT YOUNGER CHILDREN (MAXIMUM AGE 11)
EMAIL THEFRIENDS@HFI.EDUCATION FOR MORE INFORMATION!

The Hedgehog Highway

What is a Hedgehog Highway?

A Hedgehog Highway is a 5 inch gap in a fence or wall allowing access for Hedgehogs. Other names include 'Hedgehog Door', 'Hedgehog Hole' and 'Hedgehog Tunnel'. These gaps are essential in the battle to prevent the extinction of our endangered spiky friends. The Hedgehog Highway allows hedgehogs to forage for food, meet mates to breed & access nesting sites.

How can you help?

The Town Council now have some templates in stock. They cost £3 per template and are available from the Town Hall during office hours and at the Farmers Markets.



You can find more information on www.hegdehogsrus.co.uk



Higham Ferrers Food Bank

Tuesday mornings 9.30am - 12.30pm

At Higham Ferrers Working Men's Club

To donate or find out more, please get in touch with Encompass on 01933 733001 or email info@encompasscharity.org.uk



HIGHAM CHICHELE SOCIETY

The Higham Chichele Society meets in the Bede House (in the grounds of the Parish Church) The meetings commence at 9.30am (doors open at 9am) Admission is £3, including refreshments. The annual subscription is £5 (singles) £8 (couples) due at the May meeting. Check our website: www.highamchichelesociety.co.uk

Speakers for 2023:

26th May: Mike Brown - The Historic Gardener.

30th June: Eleanor Cox, Northampton Museum - Portable Antiques.

28th July: Glenys Grimshaw - The Silk Road.

25th August: Peter and Gloria Wright - Lions, Tigers and All That.

29th September: Thomas Jolly - Chester House.

27th October: Peter Hill - The Green Man.

24th November: Chris Rowe - Tales from the Tudor Table.

NEW MEMBERS
VERY WELCOME,
PLEASE COME
ALONG.

Community Sheds - Rushden Lakes

Do you have a local business or community group that you would like to advertise for free?

Higham Ferrers Town Council have developed a close working relationship with Rushden Lakes to promote our town and we would encourage local businesses to take up this great opportunity. There are two community sheds which are for local businesses (within Northamptonshire) to use free of charge.



They are the perfect opportunity to promote your business (product or service) to visitors either during the week or at weekends. They also welcome local community groups and charities to use the sheds to raise awareness and interact with the public. They are usually booked for 1-2 days at a time and they are located on South Terrace.

So far, they have welcomed over 20 businesses and groups to the sheds including Higham Refill shop, Knitted creations, HMP Five Wells, St Andrews Healthcare and Lily Rose florist. It's been great to have such a diverse range of occupiers!

If you are interested in accessing these, the team at Rusden Lakes are ready to help.

For enquiries and bookings please contact Jamie Denney via email Jamie.Denney@rushdenlakes.com or telephone 01933 427925.



Mayor's Report

Since the last edition, I have been out representing the town by attending Civic Services at Daventry, Wellingborough and St Ives, Cambridgeshire.

I have also been to Higham Ferrers Junior School with the Tourism group, where we delivered an assembly on the history of Higham Ferrers, and I attended the official opening of the new store on our High Street, with Age UK now replacing the old Colemans shop.

Cllr Gerald Kelly and I visited the local schools to deliver the Bee Squared Project seeds, it was good to talk to the children about this exciting project to promote green corridors in the town. I have been attending the Farmers Markets as usual, we have some new traders and it has been great to welcome them and see them so busy.

I held my quiz & gig evening fundraiser back in March. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped to raise money for my charity.

Cllr Nigel Brown



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- Grants to Voluntary Bodies.
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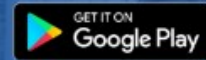


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