Hear ye! Hear ye!

Letter from the Mayor...

It is an immense privilege to have been elected as your mayor. My thanks to Councillor Victor Eni my predecessor who did such a fantastic job as town mayor. Councillor Eni will be a difficult act to follow.

We have recently enjoyed what in my opinion was one of the best Elstree and Borehamwood town festivals ever. The events were well attended, well organised and the weather was on our side.

I am constantly amazed to see how much voluntary work goes on in our town by unsung heroes who give up their time to enhance the lives of others. These individuals make me proud to be a resident of Elstree and Borehamwood.

My wife Gina and I have really enjoyed visiting the many different organisations that are based in the town doing sterling work to enhance the lives of others. We have enjoyed the concerts at the bandstand in Meadow Park, the Elstree Mozart Players at All Saints Church and the BBC Concert Band at Allum Manor. We are so lucky to have such a plethora of musical talent in the town. I also had the honour of being invited to the AGM of many wonderful organisations in the town and am particularly interested in community cohesion.

We need to be proud of our heritage and culture. There is so much going on in our town so please check out your Town Crier and take part. Finally, I have chosen the Peace Hospice as my charity for this year so please give generously if asked. The Peace Hospice is a wonderful organisation serving residents of our town when they are most vulnerable.

I look forward to meeting as many residents as possible so if you see me out and about please do stop me and say hello.

Cllr Simon Rubner
Mayor of Elstree and Borehamwood
For Mayoral enquiries please call the Mayor’s Secretary on 020 8207 1382

The 2019/20 Mayoral Charity

Peace Hospice Care

www.peacehospicecare.org.uk

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“Who do I talk to about........?”

With three tiers of local government in Hertfordshire, it can be confusing knowing which authority to contact about a particular service or issue.

Here is a brief list of key functions covered by each council to help untangle the web and to show who does what in your area.

Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council is responsible for:
- The office of the Town Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Mayoral engagements
- The management of the three allotment sites at Melrose Avenue, Allum Lane and Stapleton Gardens
- Support of the town twinning with Fortenay-aux-Roses and Offenburg
- A programme of entertainment and events throughout the year such as the two week Summer Festival (including the Civic Parade and Families Day), Guy Fawkes Night Fireworks, Christmas lights switch-on and musical concerts (including the BBC Band and local bands)
- Coach outings for residents over 60 years of age
- The award of grants to local groups and charities and honorary titles to local champions
- The free quarterly magazine “Town Crier”
- Street seating, some notice boards and church clocks
- Upkeep of closed churchyards (All Saints on Shenley Road and St Nicholas in Elstree)
- Upkeep of Elstree and Borehamwood war memorials

Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council is the council closest to the residents in the parish. The Town Council is here to be a voice for the residents by representing their views on issues affecting them.

Call: 020 8207 1382 or visit www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Hertsmere Borough Council is responsible for:
- The collection of council tax and business rates
- Kerbside waste and recycling collections, including fly tipping
- Benefits
- Community safety
- Elections
- Street cleaning
- Housing needs
- Local planning and building regulations
- Public car parks and controlled parking zones
- Licensing and environmental health
- Cemeteries

Hertfordshire County Council is responsible for:
- Highways
- Education and libraries
- Social services
- Trading standards
- Public transport
- Bus passes and disabled parking permits
- Registrar of births, deaths and marriages
- Street lighting, pavements and cycle ways
- Adoption and fostering
- Fire and rescue services
- Recycling centres
- Footpaths and rights of way

Hertfordshire County Council is the top tier of local government and provides services on a county-wide basis.

Call: 0300 123 4040 or visit www.hertsdirect.org

Useful information

Borehamwood Police Station
Civic Offices, Elstree Way, Borehamwood WD6 1WA, 01707 356000

Barnet General Hospital
Wellhause Lane, Barnet EN5 3DJ
020 3758 2000

Watford General Hospital
Vicarage Rd, Watford WD18 0HB
01923 244366

Fairbrook Medical Centre
4 Fairway Ave, Borehamwood WD6 1PR
020 8953 7666

Schopwick Surgery
Aycliffe Rd, Borehamwood WD6 4EP
020 8953 3355

The Grove Medical Centre
Borehamwood Shopping Park, Borehamwood WD6 4PR, 020 3538 3959

Theobald Medical Centre
121 Theobald St, Borehamwood WD6 4PT
020 8953 3355

Theobald St, Borehamwood WD6 1WA, 01707 356000

Citizens Advice Bureau
2 Allum Ln, Elstree, WD6 3PJ
0344 411 1444

Summerswood Primary School
Furzhell Rd, Borehamwood WD6 2DW
020 8953 3139

Monksmead Primary School
Hillside Ave, Borehamwood WD6 1HL
020 8953 3328

Kenilworth Primary School
Kenilworth Dr, Borehamwood WD6 1Q1
020 8953 3459

Yavneh College
Hillside Ave, Borehamwood WD6 1HL
020 8736 5580

Saffron Green Primary School
Nicoll Way, Borehamwood WD6 2PP
020 8953 3801

Cowley Hill Primary School
Winstre Rd, Borehamwood WD6 1HL
020 8953 2717

St Teresa’s Catholic Primary School
Brook Rd, Borehamwood WD6 5HL
020 8953 3753

Woodlands Primary School
Alban Cres, Borehamwood WD6 5JF
020 8953 2717

Meryfield Community Primary School
Theobald St, Borehamwood WD6 4PA
020 8953 2106

Parkside Community Primary School
Aycliffe Rd, Borehamwood WD6 4EP
020 8387 3000

Hertswod Academy
Cowley Hill, Borehamwood WD6 5LG
020 8238 7200

Elstree University Technical College
Studio Way, Borehamwood WD6 3NN
020 8386 6220

St Nicholas Elstree Church of England Primary School
St Nicholas Cl, Elstree, WD6 3EW
020 8953 3015

Elstree & Borehamwood railway station
Station Road, WD6 3LS
03450264700

Borehamwood Library
96 Shenley Rd, Borehamwood WD6 1EB
0300 123 4049

Elstree and Borehamwood Museum
96 Shenley Rd, Borehamwood WD6 1EB
01442 454 888

The Venue Leisure Centre
Elstree Way, Borehamwood, WD6 1JY
020 8386 9886
Graveyards

In addition to our three allotment sites which we manage at Allum Lane, Melrose Avenue and Stapleton Road, we are also responsible for maintaining the closed cemetery sites at All Saints Church, Borehamwood and St Nicholas Church, Elstree.

At all five sites we are committed to mowing and strimming once a month between March and October. Both cemeteries provide a fascinating insight into life in this community over time and contain several particularly interesting headstones.

St Nicholas cemetery contains the grave of Martha Ray, an opera singer and the mistress of the then 4th Earl of Sandwich who was murdered by a former lover in April 1779 at the Royal Opera House Covent Garden aged 34.

All Saints’ cemetery contains two Second World War graves, Corporal Binoth, who died in March 1942 aged 26 and Sergeant Seaton-Williams, an RAF Pilot who died in May 1943, aged just 20. Both are poignant reminders of the sacrifices made by previous generations.

Encouraging wildlife and biodiversity

Whilst cutting and clearing each of the sites regularly, we also try and leave areas of each site uncut during the spring and summer months to encourage wildlife and biodiversity.

Moths and butterflies are good indicators of local air quality of and it encouraging to see plenty of both at all our sites.

New beehives at Stapleton

Bees are a key part of the biodiversity mix and are essential for pollination leading to higher yields for allotment holders.

In addition to the existing beehives at the Allum Lane site, we have recently created a designated area for more beehives at Stapleton Road allotments, which are lovingly maintained by beekeeper Andreas.

More information on allotment sites in Elstree and Borehamwood please call 020 8207 1382 or email warden@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Blackberry and Apple Jam

Ingredients

- 500g blackberries
- 500g cooking apples (peeled, cored and chopped)
- The juice of one lemon
- 1kg jam sugar

Put the blackberries, apples and lemon juice in a large pan and simmer for approximately 15 minutes.

Add the jam sugar and bring to the boil whilst stirring the mixture.

Boil for approximately five minutes before removing from the heat. Test that the mixture has reached setting point by dropping a teaspoon full onto a chilled plate. Push this with your finger. If it wrinkles, the jam will set. If it doesn’t, boil for a few more minutes and repeat the test.

Allow to cool for one hour before stirring and ladling the jam into clean, sterilised jars.

Close with lids and label.
Fourteen for the Fourteenth

Fourteen intrepid travellers from our community went to celebrate Bastille Day in Paris.

Organised by the Boreham Wood and Elstree Twin Town Association (BETTA) the visit was a three-day Eurostar break in ‘The City of Light’.

In an action-packed adventure, the party watched the famous military parade down the Champs Elysées and later thrilled to the sounds of an open-air concert under the Eiffel Tower. A riverboat trip on the Seine was another delight.

Bastille Day ended in the traditional way, with the internationally-famous firework display.

Says Martine Eni, BETTA’s French chairman: “Our aim is to educate as well as to entertain. Besides the beautiful Paris of legend and song, we saw some of the social problems currently being experienced by France. These include the racism faced by refugees and the actions of the ‘Gilets Jaunes’ protestors.

“All of us were very impressed by the forbearance shown by the police in the face of extreme provocation.

“We were a very diverse group, reflecting the community in which we live, including two French people, a German, an Iranian, a Chinese, a Filipina and a confused elderly gentleman who thinks he is the King of Belgium.

“Here’s to the next time.

“Au revoir mes amis!”

A time of music and wine

That is what is on offer at this year’s Offenburg Wine Festival.

As ever, your local twin-Town Association, BETTA, will be running a trip to our German partner town. We will leave on 27 September and return on 29 September, flying from Stansted.

Offenburg, known as ‘The Gateway to the Black Forest’, is the centre of a beautiful wine growing region. Thanks to the Romans, who first planted the vines, the area has been famous for its subtle white and red vintages for over a thousand years. They provide the perfect accompaniment for the delicious local delicacies.

Over the weekend of the festival, all the villages surrounding Offenburg will set up their wine stalls in the market square. Traditional street food of all kinds will also be on sale and around thirty great bands will play, as we sit at long tables in the sunshine.

Offenburg is a very picturesque town and some of us have been visiting for many years, always eager to return.

BETTA vice chairman, Nick Male, says: “A visit to Offenburg is a never-to-be-forgotten experience. There is a great atmosphere of festival friendship and fun.

“Do come and join us and show our European friends that we have not turned our backs on them after all”.

The very reasonable cost of this trip will be £330.

Please book now, as places go very quickly and we don’t want anyone to be disappointed. Let’s raise a glass and drink to happiness, or as they say in Offenburg, ‘Zum Wohl!’

For information’s about the next trip in September please call Martine Eni

The Borehamwood and Elstree Twin Town Association (BETTA)
Email: bettagroup@hotmail.com
Tel: 07852 967 160
Website: www.betta.org.uk
Grand opening of the Cowley Hill School library

It was a day of excitement on Wednesday 3 July at Cowley Hill and even the sun came out to celebrate with us! It was the grand opening of our marvellous new library, and to cut the ribbon we welcomed esteemed author Martin Impey and our wonderful English advisor Martin Galway. Other invited guests included our school governors and members of our school council, as well as Kerry Godsman, Leader of the Herts Primary English team.

Guests were welcomed with light refreshments in our courtyard area, along with a glimpse of our before and after photographs on display outside. After a meet and greet, the ceremony began. Miss Thomas and Miss Taggart introduced the library and described our library journey from beginning to completion.

Martin Galway and Martin Impey both spoke highly of our school, the library, the magic of reading and how our library will be a fantastic learning resource for children at our school. Speeches done and it was time to cut the ribbon and declare the library officially open! As a gift for our school, Martin Impey gave us a signed copy of his brand new book ‘Where Once we Stood’ and he also drew us a fantastic piece of artwork which will be framed proudly on our library wall.

The children then shared their favourite stories with the guests and had some reading time in their new favourite room. A lovely morning was had by everyone and we now look forward to the fantastic opportunities our brilliant library will provide for our school!

Year 6 effort rewards and recognition

On Tuesday 18 June, as a reward for working so hard in their SATS, the Year 6 children visited the cinema in Borehamwood, where they watched a private showing of ‘The Secret Life of Pets 2’.

After the cinema four children were treated to a special reward of an afternoon lunch at Nandos. This was because they went above and beyond in their effort and attitude towards their learning. Isabella O, Charlie I, Molly S and Ali R had a lovely afternoon eating whatever they wanted from the menu – a very well-deserved reward.

PE and sport at Cowley Hill

Cowley Hill was awarded its fourth consecutive school games Gold Award for this academic year. This is awarded based upon the number of extra-curricular activities that we provide for our children, alongside a range of competitive sports opportunities within our local area.

We received additional recognition for the wide range of sporting clubs that we offer to all age groups from Nursery to Year 6. This term alone we had more than thirty two sports clubs on offer, running before, during and after school – all thanks to our amazing staff team who give up their time to provide this rich curriculum addition.
Parkside Primary School

Rotary Club trip to Paradise Wildlife Park

A group of children was selected to visit Paradise Wildlife Park on Wednesday 17 June. The trip was organised and funded through the kind generosity of the Rotary Club and the children had a fantastic time.

The children were able to see many animals that they had not previously had experience of such as white lions, meerkats, tigers and monkeys. They also experienced the Dino Land and saw animatronic dinosaurs and dinosaur eggs.

The children had an amazing time. Thanks go to the Rotary Club and their members for supporting the children throughout the day.

St Albans Abbey Sing Up concert

Sixty excited children from Parkside Community Primary School participated in an outstanding concert at St Albans Abbey on Thursday 4 July. This event was organised by the Choristers’ Outreach Programme and the Hertfordshire Music Service. The Chorister Outreach Programme was funded by Sing Up, the national singing programme designed to encourage choristers connected to the cathedral to work with and help increase opportunities for primary school-aged children to enjoy singing.

Over the last eight weeks, the children were fortunate to have conductor Janet Brown training them to learn the songs in preparation for the concert.

The children confidently sang a gospel medley as well as Paddy on the Railway, The Rainforest and Tue Tue, a traditional Ghanaian folk song. They also listened to and joined in with songs sung by the Sarratt C of E Primary School and St Albans Abbey choirs.

All children enjoyed singing in this stunning venue and having a tour of the building led by teachers from the abbey.

Rotary Club of the Studios of Elstree and Borehamwood School Awards

The Rotary motto is Service above Self. The schools decide which pupils have given service to the school, an acknowledgement for those who have gone the extra mile.

**Cowley Hill:** Amya Saccharia, Morgan Carter, Nathan Howe, Joshua Bond presented by Studios Rotarian Victor Eni.

**Parkside:** Duru Yurdaguel, Tristan Storey, Abdul Awad, Joanna Lewis presented by Studios Rotarian Geoff Strack.

**Summerswood:** At the school leavers assembly presented by Studios Rotarians Pat Strack, Andrew Grady and Karen Fielding.

**Kenilworth:** Alessia Maciucca, Leland Bryant, Malaika Nzegwu, Rayhan Pinter presented by Studios Rotarians Irmine Mason and Elaine Butchins.

**St Teresa:** Katie Mahoney, Fiona Achale, Grace Heavey, Lara Altouhe presented by Studios Rotarian Nick Male.

**Hertswood Academy 28 June:** Y13 Rosie Walsh and Bleon Shokulu presented by Studios Rotarians Nick Male and Pat Strack at their leavers assembly. Good luck to them on the next stage of their journey.

**Hertswood Academy 13 July:** Y12 Millie Clive and Hannah Sullivan presented by Studios Rotarians Nick Male, Victor Eni and Pat Strack at start of their induction for the 6th Form. A new school building will be ready for September 2019.
Our summer fete

Our annual summer fete was a resounding success this year, thanks to the efforts of school staff, pupils and volunteers. A multitude of different stalls and activities was available and many prizes were won. Amongst the attractions were: a henna art stall; a money line game; hoopla and the tombola stall; to name just a few. In addition, the children enjoyed a bouncy castle, bungee run and the very popular soak the teacher stand. Thank you Miss Gray for being such a sport! We were blessed with lovely, sunny weather which made everyone very thirsty, so drinks and snacks were sold swiftly at the refreshments stand. When asked to describe the school fete children from Saffron Green said it was, “Amazing! Incredible! Excellent!” One child told us her favourite part of the fete was the hook a duck where she won a prize. Another child told us, “I liked everything because I got to do so much.” One of our teachers commented, “It was lovely to see parents, children, siblings and staff all enjoying time together in the sunshine.” A great day was had by all.

Our summer production

After several weeks of rehearsals, children from Saffron Green Primary School performed their play – Pirates of the Currybean – to the cheers of their friends and families, leaving them in fits of laughter (especially the characters Scuttle and Slack). The troupe of pirates and their friends performed professionally, ensuring they projected their voices and perfected their dance routines: every single child gave 100%, leaving their teachers and parents very proud. Thank you to all parents for making and providing the costumes for the play and to Mrs Costa for donating the backdrop for our stage. It really made a difference and gave the stage the wow factor we were looking for. When the children were asked what their favourite thing about the play was, many said the songs Anchors Away and Lumago, because they thought the songs were catchy and the dance routines that accompanied them were fun. Another child said, “The best part about the play was the jokes and funny one-liners.” Thank you to the all the parents for attending the play, I hope you enjoyed watching it as much as the children enjoyed performing it.

Our sports day

Sports day was quite a sight to see with all the children proudly wearing their house sports colors. The morning began with fun house activities. This allowed the children to showcase some of the skills they have learnt in PE over the year. As the bell went the children worked hard to collect points for their houses. They showed fantastic team skills, cheering and supporting each other. As the parents started appearing with their hands full with picnic blankets and scrumptious food, the children started working even harder. As the day progressed, so did the tension. The stakes were high and a real desire to win was in the air. The most popular activity was football dribbling, as Jack, a child from Year 3 commented, “I liked the football dribbling because I am good at it.” The family picnic was a success with the field covered with picnic blankets and baskets. After the picnic it was time for the obstacle and running races. The obstacle race proved to be the most challenging, as the children had to overcome various obstacles like going through a hoop, putting on a skirt, dribbling using hockey sticks and putting on a cape. The day was made extra special by the parents’ race which was extremely competitive. Overall it was a great day during which the children demonstrated great sportsmanship and enthusiasm, and created memories to cherish.
Nursery trip to Aldenham Country Park

Nursery had a fabulous time at the park and really enjoyed seeing all the animals, especially the pigs! They all had a lovely time on the tractor too! Thank you to all our helpers.

Reception trip to Aldenham Country Park

Great day had by all of Reception at the park. We looked around at all the farm animals. The pigs were rolling in mud and were a hit with the children. The children also had a great time building bear dens! Thank you to all our helpers.

Year 1 trip to Woburn Safari Park

Year 1 had a fantastic trip to Woburn Safari Park. The children were a credit to St Nicholas and were very well behaved all day. We saw so many different animals on the foot safari and even more on the coach safari after lunch. Some very inquisitive chickens visited us during our picnic and we nearly brought back a monkey on top of the coach!

Thank you to Miss Jacobs, Mrs Montgomery and Mrs Magdalinou for coming with us.

Year 2 trip to Sea Life Adventure Southend on Sea

Year 2 had a wonderful visit to Southend on Sea. The sun was shining and the sky was blue as we arrived at the Sealife Centre. We saw all sorts of different fish and sea creatures of all shapes, sizes and colours. They even had penguins, meerkats and macaques! We met Bob the star fish and we all stroked one of his legs with our pinky finger. We had lunch on the beach and built some sandcastles. Unfortunately after we got changed to paddle in the sea, we were told that there was a swarm of jelly fish in the water which meant it wasn’t safe to go in. We all had a fantastic day though, and are glad the weather held out for us. Thank you to all our helpers.

Year 4 class treat

Year 4 had their class reward after filling their marble jar. They voted on decorating cakes and watching a film. Everyone decorated two cakes (they all looked great!) and some chose to take both home whilst others decided to eat one while we watched Charlotte’s Web and took one home. It was great fun and everyone did well at sharing decorations.
Woodlands Primary School

We can’t quite believe that last year went so quickly! We had a fantastic year here at Woodlands. I was privileged to have had the role of acting Head and have been looking forward to starting in the role of substantive Head from September.

Last summer term was a busy one with the summer fair, Year 5 / 6 production, our sports day and a circus day for all of our pupils who have attended school every day that term - not to mention two residential trips and outings to the Roald Dahl Museum, Kew Gardens and Paradise Park!

Year 5 / 6 production

Our pupils put on a fantastic performance of ‘Aladdin Trouble’. The two classes worked together to act, sing and dance, bringing joy to the audience. Well done to all those involved.

Summer fair

In July, we held our annual summer fair. The children enjoyed face painting, the bouncy castle, tombola, freshly made snacks and throwing wet sponges at Mr Kenny, to name but a few activities! Thank you to all that came along to help raise money for the school.

Circus day

All of the children who had 100% attendance last term were invited to take part in a circus workshop. The children absolutely loved learning how to tight-ropewalk, balance peacock feather, plate spin, juggle and stilt walk!

Residential trips

Years 3 / 4 and Year 5 / 6 loved their visits to Gaveston and Kingswood in June. The children represented the school extremely well and built some amazing memories.

Day trips

Children in the Early Years, Year 1 and 2 thoroughly enjoyed their trips to Paradise Park, Kew Gardens and the Roald Dahl Museum – all of which enriched their learning from class.

The children and staff were looking forward to a well-deserved rest but were sad to see the Year 6 children leave.

We wish them all the best as they venture to their secondary schools and hope to hear from them soon.

Thank you to the parents, staff and governors for your continued support and a special thank you the children, who brought smiles to our faces every day.

Miss Woode
Head Teacher
Conmemorative tree

On Wednesday 10 July, members of Summerswood governing body (left to right: John McConville, James Condacci, Claire West, John Conlon, Pat Strack, Jeanette Thrilling, Christian Crucean, Jo Froy, Kerri Walker) rededicated a tree in honour of Mr Reg Guest, who was the head teacher at Summerswood First School between 1968 and 1990. The plaque had deteriorated so much it couldn’t be read, so a new one is now in place.

Thanks to Mrs Norman for making this area at the front of the school look so lovely, and a respectful place for the plaque to be located.

Many people in Borehamwood will remember Reg Guest. He was well respected and lived very close to the school. He had two children who went on to Furzehill Middle School and later to Nicholas Hawksmoor Upper School in Cowley Hill.

Summer term at Summerswood

It has been another busy term. The children performed to their parents, siblings and the other classes in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) during assembly. Reception Longstocking class entertained parents by performing a play based on the story of Peter Pan (inspired by a visit from a real-life Peter Pan), which they wrote by themselves. Reception Disney class did their assembly all about what they wanted to be when they were older and Nursery class amazed their audience with all the learning they had been doing throughout the year. All the adults were so impressed by how well the children learnt their lines, sang with confidence and remembered all their dance moves.

We have also been on our summer term trips. Reception went to Whipsnade Zoo, while Nursery went to Paradise Wildlife Park. All the children had a great time seeing all the different animals up close, which sparked lots of discussion and questions back in class. The highlight of the day was of course the picnic lunch which they all needed after so much walking! The children were exceptionally well behaved throughout their trips.

It is amazing how quickly time flies and the end of the school year is nearly upon us. To finish the year there will be a graduation assembly for the Reception children to mark the end of their time in the EYFS before they go up to Year 1. All the staff are so proud of them and all that they have achieved this year. We are delighted that nearly all our nursery children will be staying at Summerswood and moving up to Reception to continue with their school journey.

Another busy term in Years 1, 2 and 3!

Year 1 have been learning about ‘castles’ and had great fun working in small groups to design and build their own castles! They completed their topic with a school trip to Ruislip Lido which was lots of fun! The children had a fantastic time building sand castles and eating an ice lolly to help stay cool! The highlight of the trip for many children was the train ride which took us through the lovely woodland area.

Year 2’s topic has been ‘beware of the bugs!’ and, after a busy few weeks, writing facts about different minibeasts and myths such as ‘how did the ladybird get her spots?’ The children enjoyed a workshop by Zoalab. The animals the children were able to hold were an African snail, cockroach, snake and millipede. Lucy also brought along her pet rat, but he was poorly and off to the vets after! Well done to all of Year 2 who were very brave and asked super questions!

Year 3 had a spell binding trip to Harry Potter World which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The children saw the Great Hall and walked through the Forbidden Forest and were met with huge spiders coming down from above! It was a bit of a shock at first for many of us! Lunch was just as exciting-eating outside No4 Privet Drive. One of our school governors very kindly arranged for us to have a lesson about the costumes and props used in the film. It was a fantastic opportunity to find out lots of facts about the films. Did you know that the wand used in the film was made out of rubber because Daniel Radcliffe broke so many wooden ones while drumming on set?
Summerswood KS2 summer round-up

We’ve come to the end of another busy academic year and it’s time for Summerswood pupils to move up to their new classes and Year 6 pupils to move on to secondary school.

This term, the children have enjoyed numerous trips as part of their learning and to reward their hard work throughout the year. Year 4 pupils have enjoyed a trip to the Roald Dahl museum as part of their English work based around the story of Matilda. They took part in a variety of workshop activities, as well as walking up to the local church and cemetery where they visited Dahl’s last resting place.

Further up the school, Year 5 recently headed to Kidzania where they had the opportunity to apply their critical thinking, entrepreneurship, problem solving and team work to real life scenarios. It was a trip many of the children will never forget and inspired many to think more carefully about their future lives and careers.

Meanwhile, Year 6 have been working hard on their end-of-year production: ‘The Greatest Show’. Inspired by the children and staff’s love of ‘The Greatest Showman’, the Year 6 teachers wrote their own version of the well-known film and held auditions to allocate key roles. It’s safe to say that Year 6 are a talented bunch when it comes to performing; we have some wonderful singers, actors and entertainers amongst us! In the end, more parts had to be incorporated into the script to allow all of the children to share their talents!

At the Year 6 leavers assembly, Pat Strack and colleagues came to give the Rotary awards to 4 children who have really made a difference to life in our school. We are very proud of all the children and as we now look forward to September, we wish all of our pupils the best of luck in their new classes and new schools. Congratulations to all on another fantastic year!

Miss Kneller
Meryfield Primary School

Meryfield Community Primary School celebrates a fantastic year with awards, and appearing on Children in Need.

At the start of the school year our choir were invited to audition for the BBC to be part of the children’s choir for “Children in Need” we were thrilled to be accepted and spent months practicing the greatest showman hit “A Million Dreams”. The soloist chosen by the BBC was also from Meryfield so we were incredibly excited when the big day came. The choir spent the day and evening at the BBC studios and our lucky soloist had her sound check alongside Little Mix. Everyone was very nervous but the choir had the most unbelievable time, sang their hearts out in front of millions of viewers around the country and helped raise millions for children in need.

Our Green Team celebrated receiving their Woodland Trust green tree schools gold award. The trees planted outside Key Stage 2 are thriving and will create a beautiful area providing shade and a quiet space in nature for future generations of children at Meryfield. Our Green Team from Year 5 have hosted whole school assemblies, educating all of the children on the impacts of global warming, deforestation and helping the whole school to be more energy efficient. Alongside Year 4 who have been growing and tending to the school’s vegetable beds, Green Team help to maintain our beautiful school grounds with plants for the bees, a new pond for classes to use during lessons, a woodland trail, insect hotels and a wild area.

The performing arts have had a fantastic year at Meryfield with a Christmas pantomime “Cinderella” from Years 3 & 4 and a Christmas show from Years 1 & 2. Year 5 performed “dance through the decades” with 12 dances from the 1920s to the present day. The children learnt to jive, swing, twist and floss and had a ball performing two packed out shows for their families. To round the year off our Year 6 performed their production of “Oliver Twisted” for the whole school and their families over two nights.

Our choir have also won an award for the choir that raised the most amount of money for Barnet Hospital’s charity. We were presented with a trophy and certificate and invited to perform at Ashmole Secondary School alongside some celebrity hosts from BBC Casualty. Our choir also raised £400 pounds for “Guide Dogs for the Blind” with thanks to the generous shoppers in Tesco. Their final performance of the year was at the performing arts festival at Alum Lane alongside our fantastic dance club who performed a swing dance to Robbie Williams.

Our boys and girls from Year 5 competed in the inter schools cross country and for the third year in a row we had a gold medalist. Three of our children qualified for the county and took part in the district championships in Watford later in the year with one of our boys placing in the top 10 in the district. Our football team also won the schools league, and the school athletics, golf and tennis clubs are learning new skills each week.

Finally our school received its Arts Mark Award silver from the prestigious Arts Council England in recognition of our commitment to delivering outstanding performing and cultural arts across the curriculum. After a two year process we are so proud to have been awarded this, and look forward to bigger and better shows and performance opportunities for our school.
It has been an incredibly busy summer term at Kenilworth. Below is just a small selection of all the fun we have been having! We still have 15 hour and 30 hour places available in our Nursery; contact the school office for more information.

**Something Loud project**

This year we have been incredibly lucky to take part in the ‘Something Loud’ project, working to raise the profile of music in Borehamwood. During the year, Years 1-6 have taken it in turns to learn how to compose music digitally using i-pads and all of our classes developed their rhythm through drumming lessons. The lessons were all delivered by Kris Banks, who did an amazing job of inspiring the children to get creative.

**Borehamwood parade**

We had a fantastic time at the Borehamwood parade this year. With ‘Carnival’ as our theme, we decorated our floats, got out our musical instruments and celebrated all around Borehamwood. During the parade our children and parents were chanting, beating rhythms and enjoying being together. We were incredibly proud of our school community as we won first place in the float competition!

**Sports news**

We have had another amazing year with our sporting events, with the children enjoying school games day, sports day and lots of sporting competitions within school. Two of our Year 5 children made it through to the district cross country competition. Our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 indoor athletics teams both won their heats to get to the finals. Finally, our football teams had great success, with our Year 4/5 boys team winning the league and the consortium tournament, and the Year 5/6 girls team winning the consortium football tournament. We have been so proud of all of our teams that have attended any competition this year. They have all demonstrated team work, resilience and determination.

**Beauty and the Beast**

Our term ended this year with a fantastic production of Beauty and the Beast by our Year 6 leavers. With Year 5 supporting in the chorus, we were blown away by the acting and singing on display. Their confidence was astounding, with children singing solos, performing dance routines and last minute cast changes - with a replacement Gaston having to learn all their lines in one day! We have been so incredibly proud of all of our Year 6s and wish them well in their secondary schools.

**Kenilworth in the media**

This term Kenilworth has been in the spotlight! Our amazing Year 5 children starred in ‘The Puffin Storymakers Show’ acting as experts to introduce empathy to children across the country. They were filmed on the school grounds and impressed the film crew with their understanding of empathy and professionalism. To watch the show, visit the Puffin Storymakers YouTube channel, where you can see our amazing children starring in the Empathy Day special alongside an amazing group of authors.
School governors

I grew up not expecting something for nothing but today there is an emphasis on people doing unpaid voluntary work. I don’t need reminding, though, that those wonderful people running Guides and Scouts and other such organisations have done just that, for ever.

I would like to encourage people from our community to volunteer as governors in our 14 schools. We do not get paid other than through tea and biscuits, but there is the satisfaction of doing a really important job.

All our schools have parents who are governors and others represent a broad cross-section of our community. Borough councillors Cynthia Barker and Victor Eni and my wife town councillor Pat Strack are all longstanding governors. We also have as governors others who are always active in the community including Dr Ann Goddard, David Smith, Karen Forrester, Irmine Mason, Pastor Paul Igobkwe and Revd David Aplin.

If you are interested in becoming a governor, contact your local school or meet with me where I can give you more information. Schools would invite you to attend a meeting to see if you like it. Many schools will also link you up to another governor who will help you to get started. The commitment would be about 20 hours over the year. All schools have at least four evening meetings, and for some daytime meetings too.

As a sign of our times, schools have to check that you do not have a serious criminal record and are safe to be with children.

National Citizen Service

A group of students from the Elstree University Technical College, Hertswood and Batchwood were on a 6 week course with Youth Connexions Borehamwood.

This is the town NCS training. All students live or attend school in the town. They spent at week in Derbyshire outdoor skills building, and time at the University of Hertfordshire on a series of seminars on wellbeing, mental health, etc. They have chosen to raise funds for Cancer Research and the RSPCA. They held a cake sale at the Cancer Research shop in Shenley Road.

They spent two weeks helping organisations in the town; they organised a scavenger hunt for children aged 6-8; they cared for the gardens at Aberford Community Centre and visited DR96 and Elstree and Borehamwood Dementia Club.
Elstree University Technical College invited parents, carers and distinguished professionals from across the cultural arts industries to view the very best of students’ work from the visual, media and production arts courses in an end-of-year celebratory show. Guests were joined by the artists, faculty staff and the Principal, creating a forum to discuss the students’ work and prospective future collaborations.

For EUTC, this ambitious gallery event required production arts students to produce a unique scaffold-supported exhibition space, in collaboration with the Visual Arts and Production Arts tutors, that displayed artwork in a completely new and impressive way for the school.

The new layout provided space to host Michal Wolf’s 2 store high self-portrait image and created room to reconstruct Sophie Levy’s emotionally charged installation around the cultural awareness and persecution of the Jewish diaspora. Sophie will be leaving us to study Fine Art at Central St. Martins, University of the Arts London. Michal will be studying Hair and Makeup for Film and TV at Falmouth University. Students access to a range of high quality production materials, as well as having practicing artists as tutors, was evident as the artwork provoked genuine interest and engagement with visitors.

Also on exhibition was Nicole Guimaraes’ challenging installation which utilised both visual and performing arts by shaving her head in front of a live audience as part of an awareness campaign for a cancer charity. She will be studying Fine Art at Norwich University of the Arts.

Special recognition should be given to Year 13 Production Arts student Taylor Boon for the construction of the gallery and the installation work and to Jasper Leigh for his impressive lighting installation.

If you missed the event, EUTC will be showcasing some of the artwork again this coming September at its bi-annual special open event on 3 October 2019.
Tuesday Morning
Borehamwood Drop-In at Fairway Hall
Drop-In for a cuppa and a chat.
Every Tuesday morning from 9.30am to 12noon the Borehamwood Drop-In is open at Fairway Hall, Brook Close, right behind the large new tower block in Shenley Road.
Everyone welcome whatever your age. If you are on your own on a Tuesday morning come along or come with a friend for tea (or coffee) and biscuit, entertainment, singers, armchair exercises quizzes and games. Meet old friends make new friends. A warm friendly atmosphere. Only £1.50 per visit. No membership fee.
We also need volunteers to help, helping to set up, clear up afterwards, make the tea etc. If you think you could help phone Ann on 07973 331961.

The Monday Club continues to grow.
Exercises with Sara, quizzes, sing a longs, bingo as well as speakers, Pauline Ashbolt and a visit from a therapy dog called Toby with his owner, Writers in the Woods have all entertained the members.
The Monday Club meets once a fortnight from 10am to 12pm at the hall behind Holy Cross Church, Balmoral Drive.
New members welcome a friendly atmosphere awaits.
Contact Sandra_parnell@sky.com.

The Elstree and Borehamwood Dementia Club
A free club for families living with dementia takes place every Tuesday at Fairway Hall between 2pm and 4pm.
The session starts with tea and a chat, then exercises, quiz and entertainment.
Studios Rotary Club President Nick Male has chosen the Elstree and Borehamwood Dementia Club as his charity to support during his presidential year.
Thank you to Borehamwood Football Club which has raised another £1000 from its Gala Ball.
Contact pat.strack@ntlworld.com.

DR96
Over the last few months DR96 members have enjoyed a number of outings.
The visit to the Chihuly Glass installations at Kew Gardens on 16 May was a chance to see these wonderful glass installations. Catching the land train enabled us to do a circuit of the whole site.
Two groups were taken on a free train trip by Marc Asamoah and his team from Elstree & Borehamwood railway station to tour St Pancras station.
Another train trip was organised, this time to Brighton for the day for a chance to enjoy the sea air and sample the local fish and chips.
Another trip will be taking place in August to visit the Clacton Air Show.
Why not join us at 96 Shenley Road every Wednesday morning at 10am - 12pm for exercises, activities, refreshments and a warm welcome? pat.strack@ntlworld.com.
Festival Winners

Civic Parade

Float 1st Place - Kenilworth School
Float 2nd Place - Rotary Club of the Studios
Float 3rd Place - Writers in the Wood
Walking 1st Place - Summerswood School
Walking 2nd Place - Hertsmere Academy of Dance
Walking 3rd Place - Hare Krishna

Festival Parkrun

1st Female - Simona Cristea
1st Male - Ryan Smith
1st Junior Male - Jack Johnson
Joint 1st Junior Female - Evelyn Oliver and Elizabeth Simpson
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Festival Quiz

Winners - Writers in the Wood

Special thanks to
Brian Burton
For presenting both Elstree and Borehamwood’s got Talent and the Schools Performing Arts Concert.
&
Rodney Burt
For providing lighting for Elstree and Borehamwood’s Got Talent
A Manor House in the heart of Elstree & Borehamwood

Allum Lane is heavily travelled, but how many people walking past or sitting in their cars have looked across the fence, trees and lawns and wondered about the history of the landmark house they see?

Set in beautiful landscaped private grounds, the Manor House and its more recent companion, Allum Hall, are exceptions to an increasingly developed Elstree & Borehamwood. Parts of Allum House were constructed in the 17th century on over four acres of land. The Manor House was extended in the 18th century and later remodelled around 1880.

Home to many Elstree families

When sold for £1,500 in 1830, it had been the birthplace of Euphrasia Haworth, an author, artist and friend of the poet Robert Browning. Together they formed an active local artistic and theatrical group which met at Elm Place, Elstree, the home of great English actor William Macready.

Thirty years later, the Manor House had become the residence of Charles Gordon, gin distiller (yes, THAT Gordon!), his wife and their seven children. The photo shows two Victorian ladies playing tennis in the garden. Over the next 30 years, the Gordon family was supported by a governess, a cook, four servants, a coachman, a butler, a footman and a gardener.

By 1890 Mrs. Mary Barstow was head of a rather smaller household, coping with only a cook, a ladies’ maid, a housemaid and a gardener. The gardener, his wife and three children lived in Manor House Cottage, which still stands on Allum Lane beside the gates to Allum Manor.

A new life, serving the community

In 1927 the property was sold to Madame Mabel von Briche for £3,500 (its price had doubled over the past 100 years) and remained hers until 1951, when a lengthy search for a local property to convert into a community centre and War Memorial Hall discovered Allum Manor.

Active fundraising was led by renowned actress and local Elstree resident Anna Neagle, President of the Elstree, Borehamwood and District Public Hall Association. With the active support of the Associated British Picture Corporation (now known as Elstree Studios) and many actors under contract to it (including Richard Attenborough, Norman Wisdom and 21 year old Audrey Hepburn), plus loans from local Rotarians, the Association purchased the Manor House in 1951 for £6,500.

At that stage it was almost derelict but by 1953 the Manor House was ready to open. Refurbishment continued and in 1994 Hertsmere Borough Council approved a programme costing £2.5m to complete refurbishment and to construct a new Allum Hall. This work was completed by March 1998 when the Manor House and Allum Hall were officially opened.

Fast forward to 2019

Allum Manor is a thriving centre and an asset serving the needs of our community. The Manor House serves local groups, from baby and toddler groups to keep fit classes and functions for the elderly. Allum Hall regularly hosts ballroom dancing, private parties and specialist functions such as the Star Wars event held in April 2019. Local schools and business network groups also find the House and Hall ideal places to hold their events.

Can you add to this brief history? If so please contact the centre manager (020 8953 3415).

To see the Manor House in the new Allum Manor video go to myhttps://www.facebook.com/AllumManor/videos/898547633812427/?t=137
Elstree District Scouts

The AGM of Elstree District Scouts was held on Monday 17 June, and was attended by Hertsmere Deputy Mayor, Cynthia Barker, Elstree and Borehamwood Deputy Mayor, Sandra Parnell and Councillor Pat Strack.

On behalf of the District, a big thank you was given to retiring District Commissioner, Helen Hawthorne, for her hard work over the last couple of years of office. It had been much appreciated by Leaders, parents and children alike. Now begins the task of finding and appointing a replacement for her.

The 1st Radlett Scout group was awarded the District “Proficiency Cup” for its efforts in managing to reopen the scout troop which had closed down last year due to lack of Leaders.

The District “Millennium Trophy” was awarded to Len Denbigh for his hard work over many years for Elstree District Scouts. As well as being Group Scout Leader for the 7th Borehamwood, aided and abetted by his wife Carol, he also helps the County Cub and Scout Teams with all their activities and is a County Scout Trainer. He was also elected to represent Elstree District on the Hertfordshire County Scout Council.

Councillor Pat Strack stood down as District Chairman and was then asked to become an Honorary Vice President of Elstree District Scouts. The then vacant position of District Chairman was filled by Councillor Sandra Parnell.

Jewish Life Centre

It’s been a fantastic first year of the Bat Mitzvah Club at the Jewish Life Centre.

The girls have worked very hard, learning, growing, understanding and discussing what it means to be Bat Mitzvah whilst having lots of fun chatting, laughing, baking and doing craft projects together!

Thank you to Deputy Mayor Councillor Sandra Parnell for presenting the girls with a certificate at the ceremony and congratulating them on this beautiful milestone. Councillor Parnell said: “I was delighted to to be invited to present the certificates to six girls that have finished their Bat Mitzvah course, and they did it so well. It was great to speak to all these young girls, they were very polite and it was so nice to be there on this very happy occasion. The whole evening was a delight for me, thank you”.

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A big thank you should be given to all the Scouters for continuing to provide a marvellous experience for the young people of the District. Hard work and long hours are the order of the day. But as scouting numbers continue to grow the need for leaders increases. If you think you could help, please get in touch with your nearest group. Details can be obtained from the Scouts.org.uk website.
Learning Disability Week

Hertsmere Mencap and Boreham Wood Football Club host an old fashioned sports day and football tournament to celebrate Learning Disability Week

Mencap teamed up with Boreham Wood FC to run a fun and inclusive multi-sports session at Boreham Wood Football Club, Broughinge Road, Borehamwood on Friday 21 June. They called upon people of all ages and abilities, with and without a learning disability, to come along and join in the event, which was one of a series of activities taking place across the country to mark Learning Disability Week 2019. Around 50 people turned up from Home Farm Trust to join in.

New research by Mencap has found that fear of being bullied is leading to social isolation for people with a learning disability. In response, Mencap kicked off its 2020 Virgin Money London Marathon partnership with a series of inclusive sporting events during Learning Disability Week 2019. The events brought people with and without a learning disability together through sport.

Lucy Sitton, from Hertsmere Mencap, said: “We were all very excited about taking part in Learning Disability Week with our own unique Friday Funday. This was an opportunity for everyone to get active in keeping with the theme of sport and have a great deal of fun at the same time.

“We know that taking part in sport makes people with a learning disability feel more confident, healthy and a part of their community. As the UK’s leading learning disability charity, Mencap organised inclusive sporting activities all over the country during Learning Disability Week. We were delighted to be teaming up with Borehamwood FC to run this event. We hope that people from all around the area who attended had a lot of fun and learnt a lot from the coaches at the same time”.

One person who took part is Rebecca who has a learning disability. She says: “Since joining Hertsmere Mencap, I now have a new group of friends which is very important to me. I enjoy going to music and movement sessions on a Monday and aerobics on a Friday. Exercise is great way to feel good about yourself, have fun and be happy.”

Mencap’s partnership with the 2020 Virgin Money London Marathon helped to fund many sporting activities across the country during Learning Disability Week. David Duffy, Chief Executive of Virgin Money, said: “We are thrilled to announce Mencap as our charity partner of the year. Mencap has been leading the way in challenging discrimination against people with learning disabilities across society, and the charity’s pioneering work on sports and social inclusion has been a game-changer.”

For further information on events happening in your area visit the Mencap website, or on social media by following @mencap_charity and the hashtags #LDWeek19 and #HereWeAre.

For more information about this specific event, please contact Lucy Sitton, Head of Communications on ucy@hertsmeremencap.org.uk or 07770 746 655.

Stability not flexibility

I often hear I’m not flexible enough to do yoga!

And as Judith Hanson Lasater said, “it’s not about touching your toes, its about what you learn on the way down there”. I do like to point out that stability can be a lot more important than flexibility.

Yes, its beneficial to move well with ease and fluidity but stability is the point from which we might start. One of the poses in yoga is Tadasana or mountain pose. Its simply standing at the front of your mat with the feet together or hip distance apart, lining the shoulders, hips and ankles up, taking a few deep breaths and sensing yourself firmly planted into the Earth by your feet with your head rising up to the sky.

We can also use this imagery in a brief meditation practice: To start, either sit on the floor or in a chair with your back supported against the back of the chair and your feet hip distance apart on the floor. Let your eyes close and take a few deep breaths, don’t strain, just feel the pleasant sensations of the lungs expanding and contracting. Then feel your buttocks in contact with the chair, firmly grounded and supported, and imagine this as the base of the mountain, wide and broad, maybe even seeing trees and lush vegetation at the base. And then sense how the mountain rises up inside of you, your shoulders might be the jagged rock face and as you reach the top of the mountain, your head gently resting, floating even, in the clouds. Take a few more deep breaths, breathing down into the base of this mountain and exhaling up and out of the top.

Whenever you feel rocked by the world, thrown a little off balance by unexpected events, bring your stable mountain back to mind and take a few deep smooth breaths.
Elstree Mozart Players

The thirty two strong orchestra, led by Lucy Cumming and conducted by Derek Holland, performed a summer concert as part of Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council’s Civic Festival, at All Saints Church in Borehamwood on Saturday 16 June 2019.

Rossini’s Barber of Seville Overture opened the evening’s concert to a packed church.

The concert included a performance of Saint Saen’s Cello Concerto No1 in A Minor, performed exquisitely by principal cellist of Elstree Mozart Players, Juliet Maclean. Also featured was a performance of Chamanade’s Concerto for Flute, performed by Kate Walsh, principal flautist of Elstree Mozart Players.

The Mozart Players, which consists of over thirty two local musicians, also performed Mozart’s Overture to the Marriage of Figaro.

Adrian Brown, the orchestra’s honorary patron, conducted the orchestra in a performance of Elgar’s Salut D’Amour, which was well received.

The concert concluded with Beethoven’s Symphony No. 5, a performance which received a standing ovation.

The concert, organised in conjunction with Revd. Tim Warr, Vicar of All Saints Church, was in aid of the Elstree and Borehamwood Dementia Club.

If anyone is interested in becoming a friend or patron of Elstree Mozart Players, please contact Pat Strack on 020 8386 3151 or Andrew Grady on 07802 736628, or email elstreemozartplayers@outlook.com.

Borehamwood Brass this autumn

Borehamwood Brass, your local traditional British brass band, performs a wide musical repertoire on the standard set of instruments.

Borehamwood Brass is always on the lookout for new members. If anyone that used to play would like to think about starting up again, why not call our secretary and come along to our Friday night rehearsals?

During the spring and summer months the band played at many functions, which included the summer concert in All Saints Church as part of Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council’s Civic Festival, and introduced the U3A ukulele group ‘Strummers in the Wood’.

For the second year the band also performed in Meadow Park to promote the idea of having a permanent band stand, which was part of the summer concert series planned by the band stand project committee.

Our autumn schedule is equally busy, with a list of engagements which includes:
- Sunday 10 November 2019 - Edgware Cenotaph Remembrance Parade at 11am
- Sunday 17 November 2019 - NSPCC Craft Fair, Allum Manor & Hall from 10.30am

The band meets most Friday nights in the Holy Cross Church Hall in Balmoral Drive, Borehamwood, WD6 2QT, from 8pm to 10pm.
**Safer pathway for Gratitude’s Community Pantry members**

Gratitude has been running a free community pantry for the last eight months with almost 100 families and individuals being served.

The pantry is stocked seven days a week, all year round, by volunteers who collect surplus food from supermarkets. However, when the weather is wet, the pathway to the pantry gets very muddy and slippery. And it’s not always safe, especially for elderly and disabled members. But thanks to the wonderful community-focused team at Engie the old slippery path has been replaced with a regulation safe graduated platforms path, complete with two side hand rails. Engie is the leading provider of regeneration services in the UK—covering everything from community regeneration and refurbishment to repairs, maintenance and housing development. They have kindly sponsored and done the work for the safer pathway for the benefit of the community.

**Borehamwood Foodbank**

Thank you for your generous continued support of the Foodbank.

From March until the end of July 2019 we received food donations totalling 10,420 kg and fed 1238 people, of whom 489 were children! We held a very successful Tesco collection in June and were able to collect 1,371 kg of food. Our next collection will be held at the end of November; if you would like to help please get in contact. We continue to help as many people as possible and are looking forward to your kind support over the harvest period in September.

We are currently in need of clean carrier bags and half dozen egg boxes. Please do drop these down to us if you are able.

Summer family lunches - We had great fun during our four summer lunches. Lots of arts and crafts were enjoyed as well as a sports day! These were followed by an excellent lunch and food bags to take home. These events are for all the family and it is great to see all ages joining in. Anyone who is struggling to feed the family in the school holidays is welcome, so do get in touch. Our next session is Wednesday 30 October. We would especially like to welcome new families.

If you are struggling please do call in. We are open: Mondays (not bank holidays) 1pm - 3.30pm and Thursdays 10am - 12.30pm.
St Teresa’s Church Hall, Shenley Road behind the civic centre.
Tel 020 3583 1109 or email info@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk

**Writers in the Wood**

It was one of those moments that happen quite by chance: listening to a band one sunny afternoon last summer in Golders Hill Park became difficult, when some people talking nearby distracted me.

Curiosity led me to speak to a man in the group, who turned out to be an old friend. Within seconds we had begun to share our writing projects and he invited me to a meeting of Writers in The Wood (WITW).

I had once been told that such groups were full of people with ‘writer’s block’ and I thought this one was only for those who love writing poetry. I quickly discovered this was not the case and, that there was a wide variety of writers at many different stages in their literary journeys, including published authors in numerous genres. There was an abundance of positive support through WITW and much to gain, as well as to give. A love of writing unites us and new writers are always welcome to come along to a meeting or to join our Facebook group.

My dream to write my own book had begun as a child. Little did I know that the subject matter was developing alongside this vision, as in time I became a musician and therapist.

My book about helping people with musical performance, Zoom88 – How to be calmer and improve your music-making, will be released this month and I am looking forward to taking part in book signings with friends in WITW.

Rosemay Wiseman
Fellows of the Rotary Club of Elstree & Borehamwood congratulate Clive Butchins who accepted the President’s ribbon from Cynthia Barker with pride and enthusiasm.

Clive was off to a good start as he was presented with a Paul Harris Fellowship alongside his wife Elaine Butchins, who was also presented with the same award, in recognition of their service to Rotary, Elstree & Borehamwood Museum, the Green Belt Society, the Scouts, the NSPCC, U3A and local schools, as well as to the local and international communities.

Past president Cynthia Barker celebrated the end of her term as she was presented the Paul Harris Fellowship by London District Governor (DG) Tony Sharma, along with awardees Rtn Norman Shuker, Ann Shuker, Rtn Charles Kelly, Rtn Dr Peter Wong-Morrow, Rtn Stephen Rehder, Dean Sullivan of Sullivan Buses, Steve Simmonds of Sullivan Buses, ACS and friends from MetroBank.

Cynthia and Clive thanked all the guests who attended the sunny garden lunch and a certificate of appreciation was presented to the Waggon & Horses for its continuing support to the club.

**Schools Awards**

Every year, the Rotary Club of Elstree & Borehamwood presents awards to pupils who do good things at school and demonstrate “Service above Self”. These awards are not about academics but about recognising their acts of kindness to teachers, pupils and others.

Here’s what the teachers at St. Nicholas CoE School have to say about the awardees today:

“Caitlin is incredibly passionate about helping the environment. She has been extremely eager to improve recycling across the whole school. This year she has led eco-council successfully.”

“Louie has helped so many of the younger children. If something has been misplaced, he won’t just say “I found this”, he will know exactly what to do. He is fantastic engaging with the younger children too; always on hand to play with them.”

“Eloise has been commended on her natural ability to engage with younger children at school. She has been an absolute super-star helping in reception and in Key Stage 1. She has a passion for working with younger children. A future educator!”

“Ben is always polite to all the adults throughout our school. He is kind, well-mannered and polite. He thinks of adults and his peers all the time.”

We are also delighted to present four awards to Saffron Green pupils - Beau, Sofia, Zoe & Ashton. Congratulations!

**Schools Art Show**

The Rotary Club of Elstree & Borehamwood organises the annual Schools Art Show.

Mayor of Hertsmere Councillor Alan Plancey opened the exhibition alongside past Town Mayor Clive Butchins, it was also attended by Rotarians, councillors, teachers, school governors, museum volunteers and local residents.

President of the Club Cynthia Barker praised the hundreds of primary school children who worked hard in preparing for the exhibition and would be pleased to see their amazing work on display. And as guests commented today, the standard of art exhibit is getting higher and higher every year.

Well done to St Nicholas CoE School, Woodlands Primary School, Shenley Primary School, Cowley Hill School, Parkside Community Primary School, Kenilworth Primary School, Meryfield Primary School and St Teresa’s Catholic Primary School.

**Virgin London Marathon 2019**

Rotarians Cynthia Barker, Natascia Santoro, Rev. Richard Leslie and Charles Kelly stood shoulder to shoulder for a very good cause – to raise funds for Keech Hospice Care.

Congratulations to Natascia for completing the 40k run on behalf of Rotary Club of Elstree and Borehamwood who continue to raise awareness and funds for Keech Hospice.
“They’ve collared me!”
So says Nick Male, new president of the Studios Rotary Club.

Councillor Sandra Parnell passed over the presidential collar and badge at a ceremony in St. Teresa’s Parish Centre.

Nick explained:
“I was virtually born into Rotary. My late father, George Male, was a very active Rotarian. My mother Kay was a member of the women’s organisation, the Inner Wheel.

Now women and men are in Rotary together; a huge advance in the right direction.

Rotary is an international service organisation, with 1.2 million members worldwide.

Our greatest campaign is to eliminate polio in every nation. We are close to success on this, working with the World Health Organisation and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. We also work on many local projects.”

Also at the event, Sasha Capocci was installed as President-elect.

Anniversary BBQ
A BBQ was held at Shenley Tea rooms to celebrate the achievements and legacy of Sandra Parnell as president of Studios Rotary Club.

She made history as the first president of the Club. Over the year the members of the Club supported many charities and helped at many events.

Sandra’s Charity for the Year was Elstree and Borehamwood Dementia Club which she also helps to run.

The weather was kind to us as we relaxed on a warm summer evening. 40 guests enjoyed the Moroccan food whilst listening to the Jumping Fleas Ukulele Band. Later in the evening Paul Lomax entertained us with his singing as he played guitar.

The Raffle raised money for Rotary Funds.

Party Evening
Studios Rotary Club raising funds party evening
Saturday 14 September at 7.30pm at St. Teresa’s.
Fish & Chips (Vegetarian Options), dancing, quiz, bingo. £12.50.

Ceilidh St Andrew celebration
Saturday 30 November 7.30pm
Haggis Tatties and neeps £25.

Contact Nick Male
nicholas.male@studio-elstreeandborehamwoodrotary.org.uk.

Watch this space!
The Studios Rotary Club are pleased to announce that the Book Swap will soon be coming to Elstree and Borehamwood Station.

People will be able to borrow a book read it on their journey then return it.

More news in the next edition.

Studios Rotary Club
Tapestries of Faith

The Town Council supports the freedom of residents to choose a faith or to have none and it is proud of the rich tapestry of religious groups within the local community, including those that meet at Fairway Hall such as the Borehamwood Islamic Centre.

Elstree and Borehamwood Parish Study Group

Members of Elstree and Borehamwood Parish Study Group met in June in the Radlett Centre with MP Oliver Dowden to discuss the environment and climate change. The group read a ‘Letter from Creation’ from the Bishop of Polynesia and quoted the Environment Secretary’s acknowledgement from Hansard that we are in a climate ‘emergency’. Mr Dowden brought up the issues of eating less meat, fast fashion and single-use plastics. He said his own children are always ‘on to him’ about climate change! The group presented a framed copy of ‘Earth Ball’ by Olaf Skarsholt and all agreed it was a positive first meeting.

Corpus Christi

Father Antonio Pineda held his second Tagalog mass this year for the Filipino-British community at St Teresa’s RC Church. He reminded our community that Corpus Christi is about the body and blood of Christ which He told us to eat and drink if we are to live. It is the Eucharist, or going to Mass. Although worshipping God is a part of it, we go to Mass to give us essential spiritual nourishment. Our sins are forgiven, we become a community, we become less isolated and less selfish.

World Environment Day

The event, organised by the four Church of England churches in the parish and supported by the Town Council, will take place on 14 September 10am to 2pm at All Saints Church and the Piazza behind. It coincides with Bike and Hike organised by St Albans diocese.

A variety of organisations will be taking part including Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust, EBGBS, the Garden Craft Society, Cecil Horse Sanctuary, WHVG, ACPT Ltd, Living Churchyards, Hope for the Future, Woodland Trust, Knit and Natter and many more. Studios Rotary Club will be showcasing their new project GO GREEN. Entertainment by Elstree Mozart Players, James Stowell Paul and Beverly Lomax, Hertsmere Acoustic Club, Acoustic Superstars and the Air Cadets.

Free refreshments will be provided courtesy of EBTC. A variety of games and activities for children including face painting.

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The Parish of Elstree and Borehamwood

Creationtide and ‘Harvest Festival’ 19

| Sun, Sept 1st | Messy Church | All Saints Church, Shenley Road, WD6 1EB | 11.00am–12.15pm |
| Thrus, Sept 6th | Knit and Natter | St Michael and All Angels Hall, Brook Road, WD6 5EQ | 1.30pm–3.00pm |
| Mon, Sept 9th | Bat-watching walk (places limited; booking essential) | Hillfield Reservoir, near Bushey – meet at St Michael’s | 7.00pm–9.30pm (inc. travel) |
| Thrus, Sept 12th | Church Floristry Workshop | St Michael and All Angels | 10.00–11.45am |
| Sat, Sept 14th | World Environment Day – families event | All Saints Church and Piazza | 10.00am–2.00pm |
| Sun, Sept 15th | Songs of Praise + refreshments | Holy Cross Church, Balmoral Drive, WD6 20U | 4.00pm–5.15pm |
| Sat, Sept 21st | Birds and Bees Quiz (3.30pm in aid of Cecil Horse Sanctuary, Elstree) | St Michael and All Angels | 6.30pm–9.00pm |
| Sun, Sept 22nd | Pet Blessing Service – bring your pet(s) | St Nicholas Church, Elstree High Street, WD6 3NW | 11.30am–12.30 |
| Sat, Sept 28th | Wild @ St Michael’s (ages 7-17, booking essential) | St Michael and All Angels Church | 10.00–12.00 noon |
| Sun, Sept 29th | Harvest Festival | St Michael’s Holy Cross and St Nicholas All Saints | 9.30am–11.00am |
| Thrus, Oct 3rd | Knit and Natter | St Michael and All Angels Hall | 9.30am–11.00am |
| Thrus, Oct 3rd | Thanksgiving Communion | St Francis’ Eve | 1.30pm–3.00pm |


For bookings, details and enquiries, please contact Revd Louise Collins 02089532362 / louise.collins6@hotmail.com
Maxwell Park Community Centre

Affordable, bright spacious hall seating up to 180, meeting rooms and mirrored dance studio are available for hire with use of kitchen and car park.

Regular activities include:
- Bar K Line Dancing
- Beezee Families
- B’Nai Maccabim Synagogue
- Clarion Job Club
- Cocaine Anonymous
- Digital Hub (FREE Internet Access and Tuition)
- DrugFam
- E&BW Table Tennis (Juniors & Seniors)
- Fifty Plus (Art, Bowls, Bridge, Table Tennis, Fit Club, Friends of Care Homes, Guideposts, Guitar Club, Harfbeeps, HAFLS (Adult Learning Courses), K’s School of Dance, Keep Fit, Kray Maga, Menicap (Music & Movement, Drama), MFMM Church, MoveDanceSweat, Music Tuition, Shogun Karate, Studio Quilters, Sundance Line Dancing, Tap Dancing, Tinnitus Support, U3A Card Games, U3A Ukulele Group, Visually Impaired Club, We Move She Moves (Pound, Golden Dance Fit, Pilates), Yoga (Dynamic & Pregnancy)

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For more information, please call 020 8207 1382

www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

To advertise in the Town Crier please contact Dan Salter on 020 8207 1382 or email dsalter@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk
What's on

Clubs & Groups

Borehamwood & District Woodturning Club
Third Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm - 10pm
Arkley Village Hall.
Come along and have a go.
Tel: 07971 877758 or 020 8953 0991
northlondonwoodturners.co.uk.

Borehamwood Women’s Institute
Second Monday of the month, 2pm - 4pm
The Manor House, room 2, Allum Lane, Elstree, WD6 3PJ.
Monday 9 September, Swinging Sixties - David Armitage.
Monday 14 October, 96th Birthday party.
Monday 11 November, Alexander Technique - Esther Mitiaidous.
Monday 9 December, Christmas Party with entertainment.

Drop-In
Tuesdays, 9.30am - 12noon
Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood WD6 5BT.

DR96 Over 60s Club
Wednesdays, 10am - 12noon
96 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1EB.
New members welcome.

Friends of Care Homes
‘An Evening Out in the Afternoon’
Weekly Sundays, 2.45pm - 4.45pm
Tel: 01923 289890

Live Well
Friendly 50+ social group.
Every Monday 1pm - 3pm
Fairies Way Community Hall, 27 Fairies Way, Borehamwood, WD6 2TB.
Everyone is welcome.
Tel: 07955 403 746
email: livewell@groupmal.com
Free taster session. £5 annual membership fee and £2 weekly subscription.

Monday Club
Once a fortnight from 10 am to 12pm
Hall behind Holy Cross Church, Balmoral Drive, Borehamwood, WD6 2QU.
New members welcome in a friendly atmosphere awaits.
Contact Sandra_parnell@sky.com.

BOREHAMWOOD COMMUNITY CHOIR
SINGING FROM THE SAME HYMN SHEET

Borehamwood Community Choir (BCC) is an all-inclusive choir and has gone from strength to strength in the past year with in excess of 60 members.

- We practice weekly on Monday nights at 7.30 pm at St Teresa’s Parish Centre, where, led by our music team, we enjoy a good singalong, learn new songs and have a fun evening.
- Throughout the year we perform at several venues, including local Care Homes.
- Singers of all abilities are welcome to join. There is no audition.
- Transport is provided to weekly rehearsals and performances for our less able and vulnerable members.
- A weekly fee of £3 is charged. This enables us to provide transport as well as refreshments at our weekly sessions.

Please come along and join us. The first week is a taster and no fee is payable. We will be delighted to welcome you and feel sure you will have fun.

www.bcchoir2015.wixsite.com/bcchoir

Wednesday 11 September
Gratitude
St. Teresa’s Hall, 291 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1TG
Hosting the High Sheriff of Hertfordshire at community cooking and free lunch.

Tuesday 17 September
U3A
A.G.M, followed by talk “The History of Aldenham Reservoir” by John Cartledge.
St Teresa’s Church Hall, 291 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1TG
10.30am
There will also be displays by and about individual groups.
Arrive from 10am for a coffee and chat. £2

Thursday 19 September
Gratitude
High Sheriff of Hertfordshire’s visit to the Gratitude Community Pantry.

Saturday 21 September
Borehamwood & District Garden Craft Society - Autumn Harvest Show
Allum Hall, Elstree, WD6 3PJ
1.30pm - 4.30pm

Monday 23 September
Foodbank
After school cookery event, Jack Monroe Tin Can Cooking
4.30pm - 6pm

Friday 27 September
Foodbank
Foodbank Friday Collection at Kings Cross Station
8am until 7pm
Volunteers needed.
Contact: info@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk

Tuesday 15 October
U3A
Talk “An Introduction to Gem Stones” by Andrew Wait
St Teresa’s Church Hall, 291 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1TG
10.30am
Arrive from 10am for a coffee and chat. £2

Wednesday 30 October
Foodbank
October half term family lunch
11.30am - 1.30pm

Thursday 21, Friday 22 and Saturday 23 November
Foodbank
Borehamwood Tesco Food Collection
9am - 5pm
Volunteers needed.
Contact: info@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk
Maxwell Park Community Centre - what’s on?  www.maxwellpcc.org

Many of you meet at Maxwell for regular weekly groups, but it’s worthwhile checking our website every so often. We often have new things happening, that might suit you down to the ground! New groups include...

Krav Maga (Contact Combat)

A new martial arts group meeting on Sundays from 4pm - 8pm. Ben Wagstaff is CEO and Head instructor of Krav Maga Uti Refaelu Federation in the UK. He has been teaching for over 20 years and can help you learn how to defend yourself. Classes are available for children, teens and adults. Details: info@KravMagaUR.co.uk.

University of the Third Age (U3A) Ukulele Group & Card Games

On Thursdays from 1.30pm - 2.30pm, the U3A Ukulele Group practise their musical skills and have a lot of fun! There is now also a monthly card game group, from 2pm - 4pm on Wednesdays. Anyone wishing to join either group should first become a member of the U3A. Details: www.u3a.org.uk.

Hertfordshire Adult & Family Learning Service (HAFLS)

Hertfordshire Adult and Family Learning Service (HAFLS) runs a range of quality and approved courses for adults aged 19+, aimed to help improve lives.

Courses at Maxwell run on Mondays and Tuesdays. From late April into June these include: Quilting for Wellbeing; Keeping up with the Children – Early Years Maths; Becoming a Classroom Helper; Succeed and Get That Job; Writing for Pleasure or Profit; Keeping up with the Children – Early Years English; and Get Smart, Get Fit. Fees are kept at a low rate. Details: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/haflscourses.

Tap Dancing

On Thursdays we have tap dancing! There is no formal teaching, but you are welcome to ‘follow the leader’, even if you haven’t tried it before – you may just be a natural!

The Friends

In Concert with Families, Friends and Carers
Supporting Families and All Who Care for Those with Alzheimer’s and Dementia, including all residents in Care Homes, Assisted Living Accommodation, our Seniors, the Lonely and the Isolated - We are here for YOU!

An Evening Out In the Afternoon
EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON, IN BOREHAMWOOD
Location: Maxwell Park Community Centre
Maxwell Road, Borehamwood WD6 1JJ

- From 2.45pm to 4.45pm
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Saturday 12th October 2019

The Dupont Suite
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6.30pm till late

Sparkling reception, music, 3-course dinner with wine, casino, auction, raffle, photo booth

Tickets
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To book your place please email: ACautumnball@outlook.com or call/text Jason on 07816 801 455
www.annabelleschallenge.org/black-tie-autumn-ball
Have you heard about the latest great offer from your library and the café at no 96?

We have reusable mugs for sale for £4.95 with all profits going to help your library. Not only that but our friends at the Grumpy Mule café are also giving a free hot drink to anyone who buys a library mug! Available in blue, green, yellow and pink, get yours while stocks last as we won’t be getting these again. If you buy one you will own one of only 40 available in Borehamwood.

You can enjoy your free tea or coffee in the lovely cafe garden at no 96 which is a real gem hidden away from the bustle of the High Street. (Did you know it was there?) Come with a friend, borrow a magazine or book from the library, use the free Wi-Fi and relax for a while.

We also offer free water bottle top ups in the building so you can take a cold drink away with you too.

The library is currently offering or planning the following activities:
- Lego Club
- Monday Meet Up
- Code Club
- Tea and Tablets
- Walking Reading Group
- Teenage Reading Group
- Chatterbooks Reading Group
- Baby Rhyme Time
- Toddlers Tales

Pop in for more details, to add your name to the list or follow us on Facebook @Borehamwood Library to keep up to date with our promotions, new books and activities.

We do all of this just for you so come and say hello to our friendly staff and get involved!

THE LYNX CLUB

Elstree & Borehamwood Museum has teamed up with Maxwell Park Community Centre to host The Lynx Club Reunion on Saturday 14 September 2019 at 7.30 pm.

Our current 60s exhibition, Good Vibrations, features the Lynx Club as the focal point of the 60s music scene in Boreham Wood, and so it seemed appropriate to hold a reunion evening in the place where it all happened. You can wear your Sixties clothes, eat Sixties food, and enjoy the Sixties Sounds. Meet old friends and relive those carefree days! The museum will remain open later on Saturday evening so you can get in the Sixties mood first before going to Maxwell Park Centre for a night of nostalgia and fun!

We are appealing to local musicians - did you play at The Lynx Club in the Sixties? Then you must come down. And of course if you were a member of The Lynx Club then join our Reunion and relive those days of youth!

Entrance will be free if you bring your original Links & Cha Club Membership Card, Long John Club Card, or Lynx Card. Otherwise it will be £5.

Maxwell Park Community Centre, Maxwell Road, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire, WD6 1JJ. Tel 020 8953 4295.

Elstree & Borehamwood Museum, 96 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1EB. Tel 01442 454888.

$5 entry fee or FREE on production of a Lynx Club membership card!

Maxwell Road Community Centre

Saturday 14th September 2019 @ 7:30pm

JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENT at MAXWELL ROAD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Wear your 60s clothes - listen to 60s music - meet old friends - relive those carefree days

The museum at 96 Shenley Road is open until 7pm - start there before the main event

Tel: 01442 454888 (Museum) or 020 8953 4295 (Maxwell Centre) for further details

For updates on this event visit www.locallinksvrgroup.org/the-lynx-club-borehamwood

Website: www.elstree-museum.org.uk | Registered Charity No 1107775
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FIREWORKS DISPLAY
TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER
6.30PM – 7.30PM
(Display will start at 7.00pm)
MEADOW PARK, BOREHAMWOOD
FREE ADMISSION
Woodcock Hill Village Green

Working parties continued monthly in May, June, July and August.

The three ponds are thriving but the downpours in June and July were welcome. A whole range of flora and fauna now call the ponds their home.

The committee continues to monitor the Local Plan. The threat of development on Green Belt land along the north side of Barnet Lane towards Deacons Hill Road is still serious. Over 500 homes will put tremendous pressure on all the infrastructure in the area and increase air and noise pollution.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 8 October at 10.30am. Venue to be confirmed.

Alert - Developers have put the Village green forward as a development site for 105 homes. Village Green status is protected by law. WHVG Committee are seeking legal advice this is on top of the 500 homes which have been proposed by developers along the north of Barnet Lane form Furzehill Road to Deacons Hill Road.

Number 10
10 Leeming Rd, Borehamwood WD6 4DU

On Friday 19 July young people on the National Citizenship Service made a presentation to past Town Mayor Councillor Pat Strack.

Students from Chancellors, St Clement Danes, Bushey Mead and Watford School for Girls among others had chosen Hertfordshire Mind Network as the charity they wished to support. Hertfordshire Mind Network provides opportunities for individuals to make choices, find their own solutions, build resilience and manage their whole life and wellbeing.

They decided that they would transform the space at the back of Number 10 into a tranquil setting for visitors to enjoy. They wrote to local companies and secured paint and equipment, flowerpots, compost and flowers. The piece de resistance was the sofa created from pallets; padded seats and backs were added and some beautiful cushions made.

A time lapse video of the transformation tracked the work.

It was a pleasure to see young people using the opportunity to do something for others and improve their local community. The garden area will continue to be enjoyed for a long time.

Liberty Lake Leisure proposals

An exhibition was held at The Fisheries on Friday 21 June and Saturday 22 June. Proposals for business activities on eastern stretch of Aldenham reservoir.

- A country retreat, outdoor hotel with 40 pods with associated service buildings and parking;
- Service road through pods to transport people and luggage from the car park to the pods;
- All pods to have full services, toilets, showers, kitchen area;
- Pods to be constructed of wood from sustainable sources;
- Business case with 60% occupancy throughout the year;
- Café and boat hire with associated buildings. No motorised boats, only paddle boarding, canoes and rowing boats. No proposals for hiring out sailing boats at present;
- Bike hire with associated buildings;
- No planning application has been submitted yet.
Your Council

2019/20 Mayor: Cllr Simon Rubner
2019/20 Deputy Mayor: Cllr Sandra Parnell

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Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council meetings
For a full list of our forthcoming meetings, please see the website.
All meetings now take place at Fairway Hall.

3 September Entertainments Meeting Room 7.30pm
4 September FULL COUNCIL Hall 7.30pm
26 September Environment & Planning Meeting Room 7.00pm
2 October Community Safety Meeting Hall 7.30pm
15 October Entertainments Meeting Room 7.30pm
17 October General Management Meeting Room 7.00pm
22 October Environment & Planning Meeting room 7.00pm
23 October Transport Forum Hall 7.00pm
7 November General Management Meeting Room 7.00pm
12 November Entertainments Meeting Room 7.30pm
26 November Environment & Planning Meeting Room 7.00pm
27 November Youth Council Meeting Room 6.30pm
27 November FULL COUNCIL Hall 7.30pm

Borehamwood Cowley Hill

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