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'Helping make Dunstable a Better Place'

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Summer Activities

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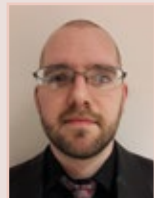
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The Mayor's Welcome

Councillor Gloria Martin

I am very pleased to be writing this article at a time of good news and renewed optimism for our Town. By now, I am sure that many of you are aware of the fantastic success of Central Bedfordshire Council in securing over £6 million of funding, from the Government, to improve our High Street. Many of you attended the various exhibitions held earlier in the year, to show how our high street could look in the future, the responses and comments were collated and these shaped the final plans.

The joys of Christmas and the dark days of winter are behind us and the lighter evenings and the emergence of green shoots, in our gardens and green spaces, encourage us to start thinking about the spring and summer to come. Once again the green fingered will be looking at plant catalogues and visiting garden centres, happily deciding what flowers to plant in their tubs, window boxes and gardens. Those who take part in the Town's "In Bloom" competitions will be planning, planting and hoping to be winners this year.

The Town Council's Grounds Team have planned the floral displays for our many parks and open spaces, to ensure that they are the lovely splash of colour that many residents and visitors enjoy and look forward to. I hope that the Town will once again achieve "Gold" in the Anglia in Bloom competition.

This is the start of a very busy time for the grounds staff, as planting and maintaining our award winning parks is only one aspect of the work that they carry out in the summer season. I was very surprised, when I first became a Councillor, to discover how often staff have to stop pruning and planting to pick up litter left behind by people enjoying the parks and open spaces. Please help by using the litter bins provided, don't just get up from your picnic or lunch time break and leave your rubbish behind, it is unsightly and takes grounds staff away from keeping our parks beautiful.

The Town Council also has a summer of wonderful events planned, with the return of many of last year's favourites, in particular the very popular Priory Pictures will again be providing a range of films for all the family. We are all hoping for a better summer this year to make the most of these outdoor events, particularly Bennett's Splash which will be open for the whole summer season.

I am now three quarters of the way through my Mayoral year and feel that the finishing line in the middle of May is in sight. I have had some wonderful fundraising events during my year so far, and wish to thank all of those who have supported me. I hope you all enjoy the summer.

Councillor Gloria Martin
Town Mayor of Dunstable



David Ashlee

Town Clerk & Chief Executive

Welcome to the spring edition of Talk of the Town. This is always a very important time of year for the Council as it is the period in which the Council agrees its annual budget. This year the Council has been able to set a budget at a nil per cent increase on the Dunstable Town Council element of your council tax bill whilst also improving and increasing the range of quality of life services delivered by the Council in Dunstable.

If you live in a Dunstable Band D property, you will pay an annual charge of £175.21 to Dunstable Town Council. This is the third year running of no increase to the Town Council element of your council tax charge. An illustration of the services provided by the Council is given later in this edition.

The spring sees the launch of the Council's events programme and this year the Council will be starting things off with two events in April and May. St George's Day will be celebrated with an improved range of activities centred in Priory Gardens and May sees the Council commemorating the 100-year anniversary of the end of World War I, again in Priory Gardens. June's 'Dunstable Live' is once again set to open the Council's 'Summer of Music' and I am very excited to be able to announce that Altered Images (with Clare Grogan) will be our headline act for this year's Party in the Park in July.

May will see the re-opening of Bennett's Splash and the Splashside Café, so let's hope we have good weather this spring and summer. We are also hoping for good weather to support the Council's programme of special markets that will be taking place from April on every second and third Saturday of the month. This year we are trying to develop a farmers market so please make sure you visit the markets and help support local enterprise.

You will also be noticing a number of improvements to the town centre this year. In association with Central Bedfordshire Council, we have been working with a number of town centre retailers that will soon be benefiting from improvements being made to their shop fronts. We hope that this scheme, in association with the major works being planned to High Street North, will have a positive impact on the look of the town centre that will entice more people into the town.

I hope you enjoy this edition of Talk of the Town and please feel free to comment on any of the Council's services using the comment form at the back of this edition or by visiting our website www.dunstable.gov.uk or following us on Twitter and Facebook.

Happy reading!

David Ashlee
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

NOTICE BOARD

News, Announcements and Items of Interest for Residents of Dunstable

Volunteers Needed

Do you have four spare hours on Thursdays? Do you like meeting and helping older people? If so, why not consider volunteering for Creasey Park over 55s lunch club?

This friendly, fun-loving group meet at Creasey Park Community Football Centre. We are looking for a volunteer to help set tables, meet and greet members from transport, help serve lunches and clear up. However, most importantly we need someone who is friendly and can make people feel at ease. The times are 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

For more details or an informal chat please contact Sandy Coyle (01582) 891408 sandy.coyle@dunstable.gov.uk



Want to trade on the streets of Dunstable?

There is money to be made on the busy streets of Dunstable and if you have a business that can operate from the streetside then this might be for you.

To trade in Dunstable you can do so for as little as £409 for the whole year with a Street Trading Licence. A casual trader can also apply for two months trading at £91.

To apply for a licence contact Central Bedfordshire Council via: www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/business/licensing/street-trader/consent.aspx

Dunstable Town Meeting

will be held on

**MONDAY 16 APRIL 2018
at 7.30 PM**

At Grove House, 76 High Street North,
Dunstable LU6 1NF

All electors for the town of Dunstable are entitled to attend the Town Meeting and speak on any town affair.

Nominate a Peace Party Child

We are asking for people to nominate a child (8 years and over) to attend our Peace Party which will take place after the WWI event on 12 May. For further information and to get a nomination form visit www.dunstable.gov.uk or email lisa.vincent@dunstable.gov.uk



Destination

Keeping you abreast of town centre news, initiatives and developments

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New Themed, Farmers & Craft Markets for 2018

Dunstable Town Council will be launching its themed and craft markets from April, which will include farmers markets joining the craft stalls. This year's themed events will start with the Best of British on 14 April, followed by our first craft and farmers market on 21 April. There will be a themed market on the second Saturday of each month followed by craft and farmers markets on the third Saturday of each month. The themed markets will have a varied and wide range of products each month, including an "Antiques and Collectables" theme in May and a "Love Your Garden" theme in June. All the craft and farmers markets will have handmade goods and local produce, offering market shoppers a quality and individual shopping experience.



Farmers & Craft Markets

Third Saturday of each month from April to December

- Saturday 21 April
- Saturday 19 May
- Saturday 16 June
- Saturday 21 July
- Saturday 18 August
- Saturday 15 September
- Saturday 20 October
- Saturday 17 November
- Saturday 15 December

Call 07803 627 544 or email dunstable.market@dunstable.gov.uk

Dunstable Themed Markets

Specialist markets on the second Saturday of each month



Saturday 14 April
St George's Day Market
The best of everything English



Saturday 8 September
Charity Day
Supporting charities and providing information



Saturday 12 May
Antiques and Collectables
Quality second hand items and collectables



Saturday 13 October
Street Food
Exciting food on the go



Saturday 9 June
Love Your Garden
Plants, garden furniture & garden tips



Saturday 10 November
Mystic Treats
Bonfire and autumn treats



Saturday 14 July
Lifestyle and Craft
All those little extras we love in our homes



Saturday 11 August
Children's Market
Goodies and more for the little ones



Saturday 8 December
Christmas Magic
All the Christmas joy

£20 per stall - Call 07803 627 544 for enquiries

Dunstable in Bloom Garden Competition

Dunstable in Bloom, in partnership with the Don't Let Dunstable Die (DLDD) Trust, will be running the best front garden and floral display competition again this year. There are 6 entry categories to choose from and you can enter one or more of the following:

- **Best Front Garden**
- **Best Floral Container**
- **Best Hanging Basket**
- **Best Commercial Business**
- **Best Community Garden**
- **Best School Project**



If you would like to enter the competition you can do so by emailing your details and entry category to sarah.woodruff@ntlworld.com. Alternatively, you can fill in the feedback form on the back page of this edition with your details and send it to the Town Council. The closing date for entries is 5.00pm on Friday 6 July 2018

With 2018 marking the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1 this year's Dunstable in Bloom theme is Remembrance and Peace. There are some lovely plants associated with Remembrance and Peace including Poppies, Forget-Me-Nots, Rosemary, Peace Roses and Lilies. Why not try and fit some of these into your borders, baskets and tubs?



Dunstable's Green Spaces

Dunstable War Memorial Renovation



2018 marks the 100th Anniversary of the end of the First World War and the Town Council is leading a project to renovate the memorial in time for the November Armistice Day and Remembrance Services.

The memorial, built in 1952, was originally paid for through public subscription by local Dunstable residents and businesses. The Friends of Priory House and Gardens have chosen the project as their main fund raising activity for 2018 and throughout March they ran an online crowd funding page. This was the first time they had tried crowd funding and they were very pleased with the response and the pledges made by local people. If you made a pledge then thank you for doing so.

The Friends are still keen to reach as many Dunstablians and local businesses as they can who may have an interest in the project and it is not too late to make a financial contribution towards the renovation.

If you would like to support the project please make cheques payable to the Friends of Priory House and Gardens. You can hand cash and cheque donations into Priory House.

Part of the project will be to add the missing names of some of the First and Second World War forgotten heroes of Dunstable to the Roll- Call plaques fixed to the memorial. These names were overlooked when the original memorial was erected and the renovation project is a great opportunity to put this right.

In addition, it is also proposed to add a new stone carved Combined Services emblem to remember those who have given their lives in conflict since the Second World War.

The Friends of Priory House and Gardens are leading on the fund raising but other groups and organisations including the Royal British Legion, Dunstable and District History Society and Dunstable Rotary Club are playing a leading role in supporting the Town Council and the Friends.



Dunstable Cemetery Sanctums and Memorial Plaques Available

Have you recently been bereaved and are unsure what to do with the cremated remains of your loved one? Should they be buried somewhere or scattered in a special place or does that not appeal to you?

Sanctum vaults provide the ideal opportunity to place your loved ones cremated remains in a small above ground stone chamber with a personalised plaque and a place for flowers to be laid.

The sanctum vaults are made of Sera Grey polished granite and have a removable internal shelf to allow the interment of one or two sets of cremated remains. The plaque on the front can be personalised to include an inscription and a photo, motif or emblem of your choice.

Families sometimes just need a focal point to remember a loved one or lay flowers, even if they are buried elsewhere. The new memorial kerb plaque garden area at Dunstable Cemetery provides an opportunity to place a memorial plaque on a polished granite kerb around an attractive feature flowerbed. The area is easy to



reach via gently sloping footpaths which are ideal for visitors with mobility difficulties.

The sanctums and the memorial kerb plaques can be leased or placed for a period of either 25 or 35 years for a one-off payment which includes the plaque and where applicable the interment.

If you would like more information about the costs or options available please contact the Cemetery Manager, Mary Dobbs on 01582 891428 or email cemetery@dunstable.gov.uk

You are welcome to come along to Dunstable Cemetery and have a look at the area for yourself.

Fancy a different day out?



PRIORY HOUSE
HERITAGE CENTRE



If you fancy going to the seaside why not try out Theobolds, Motts or Three Star Coach tours? Priory House are agents for them and would be delighted to help with your coach travel arrangements.

For something different why not spend a day out in Brighton? We sell an Adult Day Return rail ticket for only £20 and an Accompanied Child ticket is only £2. You can go direct from any station on the Bedford to Brighton line. (Conditions apply.)

We are also the local agents for National Express coaches, so if you want to go further afield this summer pop in and book your tickets with us. One of our team in the Tourist Information Centre is always on hand.

**Please call a member of the Priory House Team on 01582 891420
Alternatively you can email prioryhouse@dunstable.gov.uk
or visit www.dunstable.gov.uk/tourist-information**



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**Proud sponsor of Dunstable's Party in the Park 'Kids Zone'
& Dunstable's annual Firework display.**



The Crafty Men's Crew and their Creative Shed!

For some, retirement is a long awaited chance to travel the world, hit the golf course, and take up a new hobby. For others after decades working, it can be a time of loneliness and isolation. But in Dunstable, you may have heard that Dunstable Men in Sheds, which is for over 55s, continues to offer a chance for men to socialise and improve their health and wellbeing whilst sharing and learning DIY skills.

Dunstable Men in Sheds have been keeping themselves busy over the past few months. From making beautiful bird boxes to terrific trugs and then some, all doing this while putting the world to rights over a cup of tea.

'The Shed' is based at Meadway allotments and sessions are currently held on a Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. The group have been doing some great work within the Dunstable community, working with schools to create Totem poles, community groups to support their projects and much more. They have lots planned for the rest of 2018!

If you would be interested in joining or have a project or item in mind for them to create please contact Martin Young (Chairman) 01582 668598 or email dunstablemeninsheds@gmail.com



PRIORY HOUSE
EXHIBITION ROOMS



Dunstable's Journey Through THE GREAT WAR and Beyond

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War, our WWI exhibition – which was first shown in 2014 and funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund – will be available to view again in Priory House Exhibition Rooms from Tuesday 8 May 2018.

Discover local stories
Learn about Dunstable during the War
Local and national WWI timeline

Open to visitors from
10.00 am until 4.00 pm
Monday to Saturday



This exhibition is supported by



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2018 Events



Saturday 21 April

Priory Gardens - FREE
11.00 am to 4.00 pm

The first of Dunstable Town Council's Events Programme kicks off with the St George's Day Celebration. On Saturday 21 April between 11.00 am and 4.00 pm come and join us in Priory Gardens for a FREE family fun filled day.

There's a lot to see and do this year. There will be the mighty climbing wall to face, alongside trying your hand at archery, making your very own swords and crowns before you go off around town to hunt for the dragons!

If that's not enough look out for St George and his fiery fire breathing dragon; the comical Jester and you may even bump into a Princess on the way! This year we have also brought back Tony's Reptile Show, the Falconry displays and the highlight would no doubt be the Fighting Knights to look out for.

Plus... Aldbury Morris Men,
Circus Skills, Magic Show,
Punch and Judy, Inflatables,
Afternoon Tea Party & more...



Dunstable's Journey Through **THE GREAT WAR** and Beyond

Saturday 12 May

Priory Gardens - FREE
10.00 am to 4.00 pm

2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI. To honour this occasion, Dunstable Town Council is hosting a special WWI Event. The event will be looking at life after the war and celebrate the feeling of hope within society at that time. Enjoy war time singers, have a go at poppy making and learn about life in the war. Also enjoy a special WWI themed Afternoon Tea available at Priory House – see page 17 for full details.

Peace Party

Did you know Peace Parties were invented after WWI to bring a little joy to the children who suffered during the war? These Peace Parties then evolved into the street parties we know today. Dunstable Town Council wants to re-create a Peace Party for the children of Dunstable, who may be going through a difficult time, who have overcome adversity or have over achieved and need recognition. **We are asking for people to nominate a child (8 years and over) to attend our Peace Party which will take place during the WWI event. For further information and to get a nomination form visit www.dunstable.gov.uk or e-mail lisa.vincent@dunstable.gov.uk.**



Photograph: WWI victory tea party
(Courtesy Adam Bell/Tyne and Wear Archives and Museums)



Saturday 21 July

Grove House Gardens - FREE
12 noon – 8.00 pm

This much loved event is back, 8 hours of fantastic family fun, visit our Kidzone sponsored by Personalised Parties which this year includes:

- NERF Wars Arena**
- Tots Soft Play Area**
- Ultimate Wipeout**
- Retro Dance Arcade Machines**
- Reptile Area**
- Inflatables**
- 5.15 pm Spandau Ballet Tribute**
- 7.00 pm Altered Images**

Throughout the rest of the park enjoy charity and crafts stalls plus a fantastic funfair! Enjoy live music on stage and get ready for our main evening entertainment with a brilliant Spandau Ballet tribute act at 5.15 pm. Then have a trip down memory lane with post punk band Altered Images! This Scottish band fronted by Clare Grogan is sure to "make you happy". Did you know? 'True' by Spandau Ballet was inspired by Clare Grogan and Gary Kemp's friendship. So get down to Grove House Gardens and enjoy a full day of fun, music and hopefully sunshine!

Event sponsored by

Deakin-White



PRIORY PICTURES

Saturday 23 June and Saturday 4 August

Priory Gardens - FREE - From 2pm

Dunstable Town Council are thrilled to announce that Priory Pictures will be back this year. Come down to Priory Gardens, where three films will be shown FREE throughout the day, Deckchairs will be provided (limited qty) plus food and an outside bar will be available. Films have been selected by the public via the online vote on our Facebook page, and we can announce that two of the films will be **The Greatest Showman** and **Paddington 2**.

Voting closes on April 16 visit Facebook/ dunstablecouncil and get voting what films you want to see this year!

Keep looking on www.dunstable.gov.uk for the line-up and times.

Event sponsored by

Deakin-White



From Sunday 24 June

Grove House Gardens - FREE
2.15 pm to 4.15 pm

Our much loved programme of Sunday Band Concerts is back. Starting with Dunstable Town Band, come down to Grove House Gardens to enjoy the beautiful setting within the park and listen to the fantastic band.

- 24/6 Dunstable Town Band**
- 1/7 Dunstable Salvation Army**
- 8/7 Woburn Sands Band**
- 15/7 Challney Concert Band**
- 29/7 Watford Town Band**
- 5/8 Welwyn Garden City Band**
- 12/8 Milton Keynes Brass Band**

There is also a fantastic fundraising opportunity for charities to apply for the seven week tea and coffee concession during these band concerts. If you are interested please contact Lisa Vincent on 01582 891406 or e-mail lisa.vincent@dunstable.gov.uk for an application form.

Event sponsored by

Deakin-White



Saturday 16 June

Grove House Gardens - FREE
3.00 pm to 8.00 pm

We are excited to announce the theme for this year's event - 'The Late Greats'. A survey was conducted via our Facebook page and the top five acts chosen were:

- 3.00 pm David Bowie**
- 4.00 pm Elvis**
- 5.00 pm Michael Jackson**
- 6.00 pm George Michael**
- 7.00 pm Freddie Mercury**

Enjoy 5 hours of live music where there will be an outside bar, catering and small children's rides.

Event sponsored by

Deakin-White



Tony's Reptile Show will be entertaining young and old alike at Party in the Park



Town Centre Regeneration
 Delivering schemes to help regenerate Dunstable, including the Christmas lighting, some bus shelters, street furniture and Ashton Square toilets.



Represent Our Residents
 Preserving the heritage and identity of Dunstable, promoting the Town Mayor, representing all residents and organising civic events.

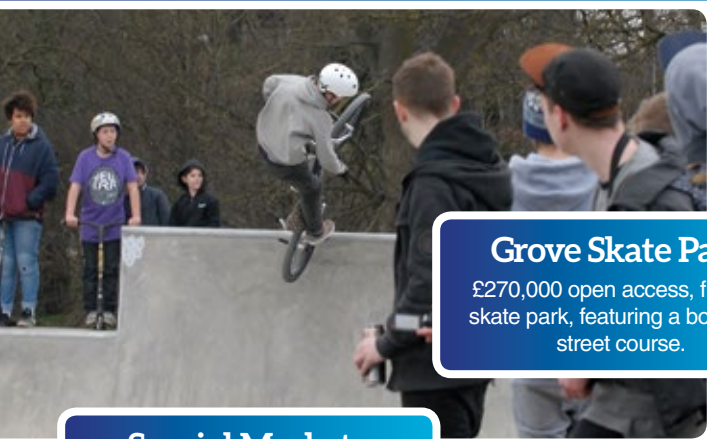
Town Ranger
 The Town Ranger scheme and Town Centre Ranger sort out a range of environmental issues across the Town and Town Centre.



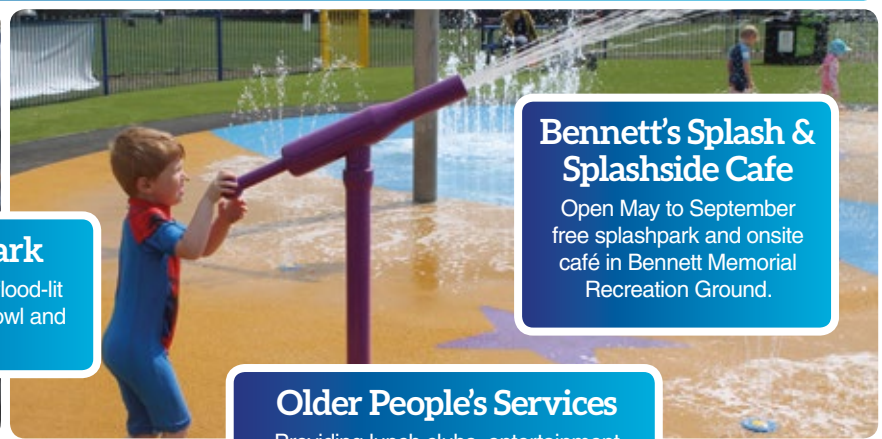
Events Programme
 Provision of large scale events programme including; Fireworks, Party in the Park, Sunday Band Concerts, Priory Pictures and Classic Motor Rally and Proms in the Park.



How do we spend your money?



Grove Skate Park
 £270,000 open access, flood-lit skate park, featuring a bowl and street course.



Bennett's Splash & Splashside Cafe
 Open May to September free splashpark and onsite café in Bennett Memorial Recreation Ground.

Special Markets
 Themed market events on the 2nd and 3rd Saturday of the month from April through to December.



Older People's Services
 Providing lunch clubs, entertainment and social activities for older people at Creasey Park Community Football Centre and Beecroft Community Centre.



Community Facilities
 Ownership of Peter Newton Pavilion and Downside Community Centre.



For further information on Dunstable Town Council Services visit www.dunstable.gov.uk

Dunstable Cemetery

12 acres of managed burial space with Green Flag accreditation.

Community Projects

Supporting communities of Dunstable to achieve their goals with Men in Sheds, Friends of Dunstable Cemetery and Wheelie Fantastic.

Creasey Park Community Football Centre

Management of Creasey Park Community Football Centre including function suite, bar, catering, All Weather Turf Pitch, 8 grass pitches and a BMX track.

Family & Young People's Activities

A 4-week programme during the summer aimed at children and young people in Dunstable. Free half term family fun sessions.

Priory House Heritage Centre

Management of Priory House and Tea Rooms, including: Tourist Information Centre, gift shop, exhibition space, meeting and function room.

What do you get for the annual Council Tax charge that you pay to Dunstable Town Council through your Council Tax?

As well as providing a democratic voice for the residents of Dunstable, Dunstable Town Council manages and delivers all of these vital, quality of life services in the town. The 2018/19 council tax charge made by Dunstable Town Council for an average band D property is **£175.21**. This equates to just **£3.37** per week and ensures that the Council collects **£2,219,034** for the year from the Dunstable council tax payer.

Grove Corner

Town centre young people's venue, providing services for young people with drop-in sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

Allotments

6 allotment sites providing over 250 plots at: Meadway, Westfield, Catchacre, Pascomb, Hillcroft, Maidenbower.

Parks and Open Spaces

Management and maintenance of 15 parks and open spaces including, 2 Green Flag parks, 11 play areas and 17 sports pitches, maintenance of Priory Churchyard and all the Town Centre floral display.

For Council Tax enquiries call Central Bedfordshire Council on 0300 300 8000

We really
are making a
for you
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Splash SUMMER

Bennett's Splash & Splashside Café

The wait is nearly over!

The wait is nearly over, Bennett's Splash and the Splashside Café will very soon be open again. From Monday 14 May 2018 through to Sunday 12 September 2018, the water fountains will be on and coffee will be brewing.

Bennett's Splash was a great success last year, enjoyed by many Dunstable residents and others from the local area. It's hoped this year the sun will have his hat on for a few more days! Remember, Bennett's Splash is free to use!

Children will love the 200m² of wet play surface and 16 super soaking water features ranging from gentle mists, and spray arches to tipping buckets and spray shooter cannon. Bennett's Splash is designed to be used and enjoyed by children from 2yrs to 10yrs, those older than this are asked to act responsibly for the safety of all.

To make it a healthy splash experience please observe all the health and safety notices displayed around the splash park and café.

Splashside Café adjacent to the splash park is not only perfect for those enjoying a day of water play. Customers can sample a range of coffees, teas, soft drinks and freshly prepared milkshakes and healthy

fruit smoothies. Those with an appetite can take advantage of a selection of sandwiches, wraps or go big with a stone baked 12" pizza, great to share.

Limited Offer! To make life easy for those busy parents, children will love our child's lunch package. Plus each child's lunch package comes with a FREE Bennett's Splash swim bag (Whilst stocks last).

It wouldn't be an English Summer without an ice cream and Mancinelli Ice Creams van will again be stationed in the park.

A gentle reminder about the number of parking restrictions in place on the roads surrounding Bennett Memorial Recreation Ground; it is strongly advised to park in Ashton Square car park, off Bull Pond Lane, with its 387 spaces. **This car park is only a minute's walk to the park.**

Please look out for further updates of other events taking place in the park via the Council website, Facebook and Twitter pages.

Bennett's Splash and the Splashside Café will be open 7 days a week from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm.



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National Play Day



Wildlife Trust Rangers



Inflatables Day



It's not long now before we can begin to plan for a long summer of fun with the children when they have their six week break! If this is filling you with dread about how to avoid the "I'm bored" and "can I have" then don't despair – help is at hand. Dunstable Town Council will once again have a programme of free and affordable activities suitable for all the family. Here are the dates for your diary...

National Play Day

Wednesday 1 August – National Play day at St Augustine's school playing fields 11.00 am to 3.00 pm. In partnership with Dunstable South Children's Centre, this FREE event will include fun and games, arts and crafts and wet and messy play, so don't forget a change of clothes and plenty of wet wipes!

Wildlife Trust Rangers

Wednesday 8 August – Introduction to Wildlife Trust Rangers (13 to 19 year olds) and photography workshop on Blows Downs 1.00 pm to 3.30 pm Meet at Half Moon Lane entrance. Bring your own camera or phone (some cameras available) and snap away at the wonderful wildlife on display. This is a FREE event but there are limited places, so don't delay, book today at www.dunstable.gov.uk.

Inflatables Day

Friday 10 August – Inflatable Day in Grove House Gardens 12 noon to 4.00 pm. Bring a picnic and enjoy the park while the children bounce away their energy. Unlimited use wrist bands £6, single use tickets £1.50 each. Wrist bands can be purchased on the day of the event. Suitable for children aged 4+.

Skate Jam

Sunday 12 August – Skate Jam at Dunstable Skate Park 12 noon to 4.00 pm. Calling all Boarders and BMX tricksters come and show your stuff. Music by DJ Big Man Craig and plenty of prizes to be won.

B-Fest

Thursday 16 August – B-Fest at Beecroft school playing fields 11.00 am to 3.00 pm. In partnership with Beehive Children's Centre, FREE entrance to this family festival. Music, live band and entertainment, fun and games. Please note some activities may be chargeable.

It's a Knock Out

Monday 20 August – 'It's a Knock Out' inflatable team challenge game. Bennett Memorial Recreation Ground 12 noon to 4.00 pm. Mixed teams of 6 (children 5 to 16, adults 16+) for £5. Great family event which can't be beaten for good nostalgic fun. Be prepared to get wet so bring a change of clothes.

Art Attack

Thursday 23 August – Art Attack in Priory Gardens 11.00 am to 3.00 pm. Loads of arts and crafts to make and take. Free for adults, £4 wrist band for children suitable for ages 5+. Wrist bands can be purchased on the day of the event.

It's a Knock Out



Art Attack!





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Show Off Your Work



on Priory House's Showcase Shelving

Showcase Shelving is a scheme for local crafts and small businesses whereby you rent a ladder of shelves in the gift shop here at Priory House for only £30 for any four week period, except November and December when the cost is £50. We sell your crafts through our till and then send you any money taken at the end of the following month. What could be simpler? A great way to trade on Dunstable High Street, without the risk. Spaces currently available for June and July. If you are interested please give us a call here at Priory House on 01582 891420 or e-mail prioryhouse@dunstable.gov.uk

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10.00 am – 4.00 pm, Priory Gardens



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Afternoon Tea Specials



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Forthcoming special Afternoon Teas at the award-winning Priory House Tea Rooms

This spring why not treat yourselves to one of our Speciality Afternoon Teas? All are served with unlimited pots of Dunstable Loose Leaf Tea or coffee should you prefer freshly prepared in our kitchen with warm baked scones and homemade cakes, which will make you want to try all four of our special Afternoon Teas.



**NATIONAL
TEA DAY®**
Afternoon Tea



16 to 27 April - £19.50

Sundried Tomato & Cheddar Muffins
Smoked Salmon & Cream Cheese Palmiers

Sandwich Selection:

Ham & chutney | Egg mayonnaise
Cucumber & cream cheese
Roast beef & rocket | Tuna & red onion

Chamomile & lavender scones & plain scones served with fresh whipped cream and homemade preserve

Cake Selection:

Earl Grey Cupcakes, Tea loaf & Lapsang Souchong chocolate loaf

Why not make a whole afternoon of it and join our National Tea Day Tea Party on Saturday 21 April at 2.00 pm?

Spaces are limited and must be booked in advance.

Royal Wedding AFTERNOON TEA

19 May to 1 June - £23.50

Glass of Prosecco on arrival

Prawn cocktail squares & Coronation pie

Sandwich Selection:

Goats cheese, walnut and roasted red pepper
Chicken, pesto and sundried tomato
Smoked salmon and cucumber
Roast beef and caramelised red onion
Egg and caper mayo

Plain & fruit scones served with fresh whipped cream and homemade preserve

Cake Selection:

Macarons, Traditional iced fruit cake & Shortbread Wedding Cake

Why not make a whole afternoon of it and take our Royal Wedding Afternoon Tea whilst watching the Royal Wedding at our Royal Wedding Tea Party on Saturday 19 May at 11.00 am?

Spaces are limited and must be booked in advance.

World War I Afternoon Tea

5 to 18 May - £19.50

Maconochie pie (beef & vegetable)
Bacon & potato bake



Sandwich Selection:

Ham & beetroot chutney | Bully beef & tomato (corned beef)
Potted cheese (cheese & mustard) | Fish sausage (salmon)

Plain & fruit scones served with fresh whipped cream and homemade preserve

Cake Selection:

Anzac biscuits, Trench cake & Apple sauce cake



Summer Afternoon Tea

4 June to 31 August - £17.50

Salmon and pesto quiche & Summer sausage rolls

Sandwich Selection:

Sweet chilli chicken | Lemon prawn mayonnaise
Cucumber | Egg and mustard mayonnaise
Gammon ham and tomato chutney

Plain & fruit scones served with fresh whipped cream and homemade preserve

Cake Selection:

Pimms cupcakes, Mini Victoria sponge & Shortbread stack

For information or to make a reservation call Priory House on 01582 891420 or visit www.dunstable.gov.uk

Wheelie Fantastic!

If you felt the cold and suffered from winter blues then don't worry summer will be here before you know it, along with Wheelie Fantastic 2018! This popular activity is back again helping to support Dunstable in Bloom brighten up our town. This year's theme is Remembrance and Peace to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI.

If you want to be part of this year's Wheelie Fantastic you can decorate and plant your own barrow and send details along with some photos to Dunstable Town Council. Or if you are part of a group such as a school, social or activity club, or neighbours working together and would like to be involved in brightening up your area by planting and displaying a barrow, then please contact: sandy.coyle@dunstable.gov.uk or call Sandy on 01582 513000 who will be more than happy to advise and help in any way she can.



A number of local businesses also support the project by decorating, planting and displaying barrows and we always welcome more.

However, if your business doesn't have space to display but you would like to support this brilliant project then you can donate a set amount to cover the cost of barrows and compost to enable other groups to take part. Again

for more details please contact sandy.coyle@dunstable.gov.uk and let us make this year wheelie memorable.



By popular demand!
BIG LUNCH is back for 2018

The Big Lunch is for Dunstable residents aged 65+ and will be held on Tuesday 12 June in Grove House Gardens 11.00 am to 2.15 pm. This FREE event includes a picnic style lunch and plenty of top class entertainment. After feedback from last year, we have booked a bigger marquee and will serve hot drinks, however we can only keep our fingers crossed that the weather will be kinder so if in doubt wrap up warm! Other organisations will be present with information you might find useful. There are only 100 places available so contact Sandy Coyle on (01582) 891408 or email Sandy.coyle@dunstable.gov.uk to book your place.



Love Parks Week 2018

Once again Dunstable Town Council will take part in the national campaign Love Parks Week. The purpose is to highlight the importance of our parks and green public spaces and it will take place from 13 to 20 July. Plans are already underway to make this a very special week and encourage even more people to enjoy our town's wonderful parks and gardens.



Friday 13 July, Pirates Picnic at Brewers Hill Recreation Ground 11.00 am to 12.30 pm.

This event is for families with children under 5. There are only 50 children's places available and the cost is £1 per child, adults free. The children will receive lunch and there will be lots of fun and games for all to enjoy, so don't delay book today! Visit www.dunstable.gov.uk to register and pay.

Monday 16 July, BBQ and Jamming in Grove House Gardens 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm for 10 to 18 year olds.

Plenty of FREE burgers to get the party started. Feel free to bring your own musical instruments or just bring yourself and enjoy the vibe.



Tuesday 17 July, Over 55s Exercise in the Park, at Brewers Hill Recreation Ground 10.30 to 1.00 pm.

Different types of light exercises to help keep you fit and active. No need to book or break out the lycra, just come along and have some fun.

Wednesday 18 July, discover the natural beauty of Dunstable Cemetery and capture it through photography.

Booking is essential as only 15 places are available, bring your own camera or phone. For further information please contact Sandy Coyle (01582) 891408 or visit www.dunstable.gov.uk to book your place.



More activities will be added to this programme so please visit www.dunstable.gov.uk or like our Dunstable Town Council facebook page for up to date information. If you are a group with a particular interest, which takes place or could take place in an open space and you would like to encourage new members or share then please contact Sandy Coyle (01582) 891408 sandy.coyle@dunstable.gov.uk



Meet Edward King

My name is Edward King, and I am the New Senior Community and Young People's Officer. I have been involved in youth work for over 14 years across Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire. I am excited to be working for Dunstable Town Council, where I can share all my knowledge and experience and have the opportunity to work with young people and the wider community. I believe that together we can make positive strides to bring the best out of our community.

I was born in Bermuda, and moved to England in 1998. I had the opportunity to travel the world and visit many places such as India, Nepal, Thailand, Malaysia, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, and the US. I enjoyed this as it gave me the opportunity to learn and appreciate other cultures and the world we live in.

Music is important to me and I can be regularly found at open mic nights, playing guitar and belting out a tune or two. I also play Didgeridoo (Australian woodwind instrument), African Drums, and a few other instruments.

I also like to take part in Capoeira which is an African-Brazilian martial art. It is a beautiful art form which is also known as the fighting dance.

Being a Culture Challenge Associate Provider is important to me, this role strives to increase the numbers of young people enjoying, taking part in art and culture activities. It also aims to provide clear contact details of culture providers in the local areas.

I enjoy films and regard myself as somewhat of a movie buff, and like to talk about films.

My other passion is nature and animals, especially the exotic kind. At one time I visited Wrigglies Exotic Pets in Dunstable so often I was part of the furniture, they could have built me my own enclosure!

I enjoy meeting and talking to people, so if you want a chat, then please come find me at Grove Corner every Monday, Wednesday and Friday night or at any of our forthcoming community events.

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Grove Corner

Grove Corner is a Young People's Centre in the middle of Dunstable that welcomes all young people aged 10 to 18 years old.

At Grove Corner there is FREE pool, FREE table football, wifi, comfy chairs to hang out with friends, a big screen to watch films or the latest sports on TV and not forgetting an affordable tuckshop, selling drinks, burgers, chocolates and more.

Each month at the Centre there is a themed evening giving a chance to take part in debates, gain new information on different issues young people may face and often get some freebies.

Grove Corner is open Monday and Wednesdays from 7.00 pm to 9.30 pm and Fridays from 8.00 pm to 9.30 pm for those aged 13 to 18 and from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm every Friday for those aged 10 to 13 years old.

Coming up at Grove Corner between now and Christmas there is lots to look forward to. There will be a chance to showcase your talent at a show for both groups, some optional craft evenings, a 'make a cake in a mug' night and not forgetting the annual Christmas party with FREE food, games and movies.

Youth Workers are always interested in hearing from those who use the Centre about their thoughts and ideas on activities they want to be held, and where possible will try and facilitate these.

There's no need to sign up, if you want to visit Grove Corner, just turn up on your preferred evening, sit back and relax and enjoy all that the centre has to offer! Workers look forward to meeting you soon.

For more information call Ed King, Senior Community and Young People's Officer on 01582 891434 or text 07595 067708 or like 'Grove Corner Dunstable' on Facebook.



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Support and Volunteer for Dunstable Town FC

As we enter the final couple of months of the league season, it is fair to say that on and off the pitch the club has been on a significant journey. Off the field, countless hours have been put in by volunteers to ensure the club can have a stable and sustainable future and we are seeking new investment and income generation schemes that benefit not only the First Team but also our Youth, Development and Ability Counts teams.

Fans are the life-blood of non-league teams such as ourselves, notably, since the supporters took over the running of the club. Dunstable Town FC is all the better for the work that has gone in to save and stabilise the club since last May.

For the club to have a meaningful future, I am now putting out a call to arms. To our loyal supporters who have stuck with us, to the fans that used to come on a regular basis – come back, see how we have changed the club and how supporter-driven and inspired it is. For potential fans – come and give us

a try. You will receive a warm and genuine welcome, watch some great football and recognise how much of a community-based club we are.

At non-league level, supporters are key but it is also essential to have a team of volunteers. Thus, in order to further enhance the good work that has gone on throughout the club, I am calling on our supporters and members of the community to step forward to offer their services and skills to the club at youth, development or first team level.

We are committed to being a club that contributes to the town from a sporting, community and educational perspective. So please come and volunteer to help us realise our ambition and vision for this historic club. If you want to volunteer or find out when our next home match is, please visit our website at www.dunstabletownfc.co.uk

Alex Alexandrou
Chairman, Dunstable Town FC

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Since 2011, Creasey Park Community Football Centre has been a hub for the local community and home to Dunstable Town FC and AFC Dunstable. Thousands of people visit the site each month. Our facilities and available space comprise of:

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- 8 grass pitches
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- Catering at the 'Keepers Kitchen'
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- Amazing BMX track.

We are also very proud to host the Dunstable Road Runners at the premises to hold their events. We have a variety of customers of all ages, we are open 7 days a week and organise local community events where we can see thousands of people attend!

Creasey Park Community Football Centre attracts approximately 3,000 visitors per week, so an excellent opportunity to advertise your business with us.

We have amazing marketing or sponsorship packages available! Additionally we can supply and install the advertisement, or assist with the development and installation of your own.

Please contact us for more information 01582 891433 or email cpcfc@dunstable.gov.uk

55+ Coffee Mornings



Are you aged 55+ and would like to meet other people for a natter over a cuppa and biscuits? Then pop along to one of our coffee/tea mornings. They are very friendly and informal affairs, just a social gathering but with Dunstable Town Council staff on hand to answer any questions you may have. They may not have all the answers, but will know someone who does! There is usually a representative from another organisation present to give out useful information such as Solders, Sailors, Airmen and Family Association (SSAFA), Bedfordshire Police or Fire, and Age UK. All coffee mornings are held from 10.00 am until 12 noon and are free to attend, so why not pop along to say hello? Here are the upcoming dates and venues for your diary:

Tuesday 17 April

Grove Corner Young Peoples Centre,
76a High Street North, LU6 1NF

Tuesday 6 May

Disability Resource Centre,
Poynters House, Poynters Road, LU5 4TP

Tuesday 5 June

Southwood Road Supported Housing Scheme,
214 – 262 Southwood Road, LU5 4EN

Tuesday 10 July

Dunstable Cemetery Chapel,
West Street, LU6 1PD

Tuesday 7 August

Holts Court Supported Housing Scheme,
Edward Street, LU6 1HR

Tuesday 11 September

St Mary's Church,
82 West Street, LU6 1NY

Tuesday 9 October

Beecroft Community Centre,
Westfield Road, LU6 1DL

Tuesday 6 November

Furness Avenue Supported Housing Scheme,
LU6 3BN

Tuesday 15 January

Priory Church Hall,
4 Church Close, LU5 4RS

Tuesday 14 February

United Services Club,
160 High Street South, LU6 3HS



For more information visit www.dunstable.gov.uk or contact Sandy Coyle (01582) 891408 sandy.coyle@dunstable.gov.uk

The Cake House



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In this edition of spotlight, we are shining the light on two of our elected Dunstable Town Councillors, looking into what it is like to be a councillor. In the spotlight is Councillor Terry Colbourne, who is our longest serving Councillor of 22 years, and Councillor Anne Kennedy who recently joined the Council in September 2017.



**Cllr
Terry
Colbourne**

You have been a Councillor now for 22 years, you were Mayor in 2002/03, looking back over your service what have you enjoyed most or has been your biggest achievement?

Obviously the most enjoyable time was that of being the Town Mayor in the Queen's Golden Jubilee year. This gave me a "baptism of fire" as I took office on the Monday and 4 days later there was a full weekend of events in celebration. This also coincided with the first visit of a delegation from Bourgoin-Jallieu with a view of twinning, they fully engaged in our celebrations and later in the year a Dunstable delegation went to France and I signed the Memorandum of Understanding. There were further highlights during the year, but far too many to mention here.

What made you become a Councillor?

To answer this I must go back to the 1959 General Election when I was studying GCSE 'O' Level Economics and Public Affairs. Staff considered that a practical experience would be useful so the school organised its own election at which I was a candidate. This gave me my first real insight into politics, an interest that I still have today. In 1986 on retiring from the Armed Forces I moved to Dunstable, joined a political party, a ward committee and was nominated as a candidate for the 1992 Town Council elections, the rest they say "is history".

Apart from your work here at Dunstable Town Council, what else do you like to do in your spare time?

In the past year I have not had much spare time as being Consort to the Town Mayor has kept me very busy. When I do have leisure time, which is now every day as I am retired, I enjoy using my National Trust membership. This usually means a short break and a visit to a historic property coupled with a cathedral and / or a castle. At home I watch television, mainly documentary, sport and quiz

programmes, share household and gardening duties with my wife and solve the occasional crossword.

Dunstable has changed a lot since you first joined the council, what has been the biggest change you have seen?

The major changes I have seen have been the loss of much of the town's large employers and the building of the White Lion retail park, ASDA and many large distribution centres. The result of which has led to less footfall in the town and the subsequent loss of specialist local shops. On the plus side the recently opened A5 / M1 link road has significantly reduced the number of heavy vehicles passing through the town.

During the rest of your time in office, what would you like to see the Council achieve for Dunstable?

Most comments I receive are about services provided by Central Bedfordshire Council such as car parking charges, state of the High Street and roads. As a Town Councillor I and my colleagues act as a "pressure group" to ensure that local views are known. With regard to the Town Council there is a very long list I would like to see achieved which includes; obtaining more contracts for our Town Ranger and Parks team, reducing the cost of all waste disposal, renovation of the War Memorial, continue winning Green Flags for our parks and cemetery and also Gold medals for Anglia in Bloom. Finally I would very much like to see a Youth Council established to ensure the future of the town.

If you were a superhero for the day what powers would you have and why?

It would be lovely to be a superhero, but my recollection of Batman and Superman is that their adventures take a little longer than a day. However if I only have a day I would follow their examples and have the power to rid the town of all crime and anti-social behaviour. Any remaining time I would use to build a small stadium with seats for athletics, rugby, football and large outdoor events.



**Cllr
Anne
Kennedy**

You joined the council in September 2017, how have you been enjoying it so far?

I have enjoyed engaging with the public and listening to their views. I felt very honoured to represent Market Traders views at Council.

What made you become a Councillor?

I decided to become a Councillor because I was lucky to have been brought up in Dunstable which was a thriving market town. I hope to be able to influence changes to restore Dunstable to its former glory.

Do you have any hobbies you like to do outside of your work as councillor?

I have two horses and caring for them takes a lot of my time and energy. I also enjoy spending time at my allotment growing fruit and vegetables and making jams and chutneys from them.

I hear you have done quite a bit of travelling, where is your favourite place you have been?

I have been very fortunate to travel much of the world and though I absolutely loved Kenya, Indonesia holds a special place in my heart for the varied culture and delicious, naturally vegan, food. Having said that, I would go and live in Granada, Spain in a heartbeat!

During the rest of your time in office, what would you like to see the Council achieve for Dunstable?

I would like to see a Labour controlled Council restore the market to local control and management as an important trademark of our town's heritage.

We always ask everyone this question....If you were a superhero for the day what powers would you have and why?

If I was a superhero for one day I would like the power to heal. I would use the power to heal all the conflicts and occupations so that refugees could go back to their lands and rebuild their lives, especially for Palestinians who cannot go home.

Dunstable Town Council and Committee Meetings

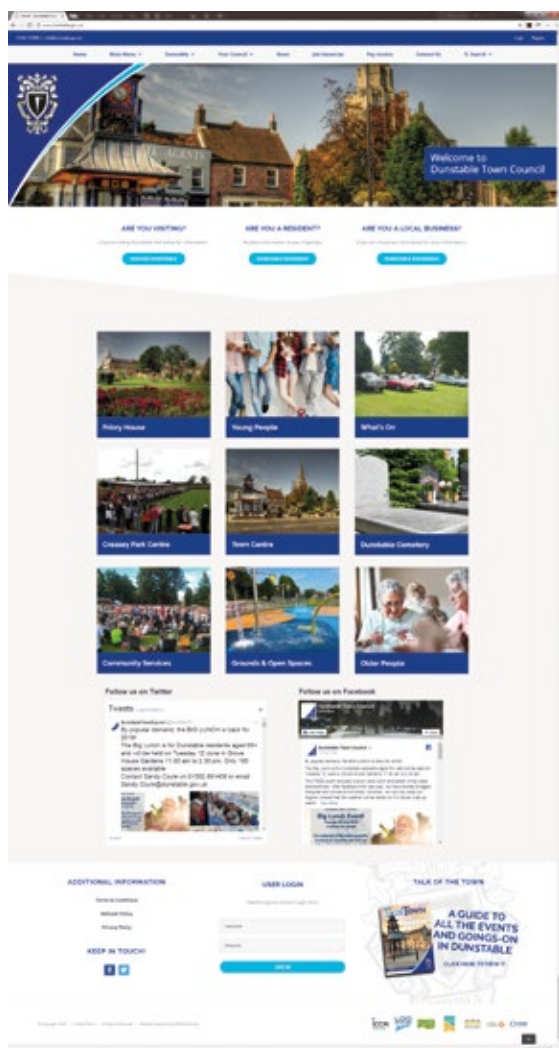


Copies of the agendas for all meetings are available for inspection three days beforehand at Grove House, Priory House (Tourist Information Centre) and Dunstable Library or via the Council's website www.dunstable.gov.uk

All meetings commence at 7.00 pm and are held at Grove House, 76 High Street North, Dunstable unless otherwise stated, and all are open to the public. Members of the public are welcome to ask questions about matters being considered at the meetings. Advance notice is required by the previous working day and further information is available from the Council's Head of Finance and Support Services rosemary.osullivan@dunstable.gov.uk.

Forthcoming meeting dates are listed below:

12/04/2018	Personnel Sub-Committee	05/06/2018	Plans Sub-Committee
16/04/2018	Town Meeting 7.30 pm (Grove House)	11/06/2018	Grounds and Environmental Services Committee
18/04/2018	Accounts Sub-Committee 5.30 pm	18/06/2018	Finance and General Purposes Committee
24/04/2018	Plans Sub-Committee	20/06/2018	Accounts Sub-Committee 5.30 pm
30/04/2018	COUNCIL	25/06/2018	COUNCIL
15/05/2018	Plans Sub-Committee	26/06/2018	Plans Sub-Committee
21/05/2018	AGM 7.30 pm (The Incuba)	12/07/2018	Personnel Sub-Committee
23/05/2018	Accounts Sub-Committee 5.30 pm	17/07/2018	Plans Sub-Committee
04/06/2018	Community Services Committee	18/07/2018	Accounts Sub-Committee 5.30 pm



New Dunstable Town Council Website Under Construction

Technology moves at a fast pace these days and more people than ever are viewing online material using devices other than a standard PC, so, moving with the times, Dunstable Town Council has decided to have its website rebuilt to fall in line with today's technological demands.

Working with local creative agency JNB Publishing, the Council will be redeveloping the website to ensure it is still as informative and useful as ever, but new features will be introduced to improve the user experience and everything will be fully responsive to all hand-held devices.

Work is ongoing, but it is planned that the new website will 'go live' in spring 2018.

In the meantime the existing website service will remain available and uninterrupted.





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Cemetery Management

Maintenance of grounds, grave preparation, burial and memorial arrangements
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01582 891428 | cemetery@dunstable.gov.uk

Parks and Open Spaces

Maintenance of grounds, sport pitches and skate park, litter picking, dog bins, grass cutting
Freephone 0800 013 0350 | info@dunstable.gov.uk

Allotments

Plot lettings and maintenance of sites
01582 891426 | allotments@dunstable.gov.uk

Play Areas

Maintenance, inspections and cleansing
Freephone 0800 013 0350 | info@dunstable.gov.uk

Town Centre Maintenance

Maintenance of raised beds, grassed areas and floral displays
01582 513000 | info@dunstable.gov.uk

Maintenance of Priory & Grove House Gardens

Grounds maintenance, litter picking, dog bins
01582 891413 | john.crawley@dunstable.gov.uk

Town Ranger & Town Centre Ranger

Cleaning up the public places in Dunstable
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Grove Skate Park

01582 513000 | info@dunstable.gov.uk

Bennett's Splash & Splashside Café

01582 891433 | james.slack@dunstable.gov.uk

Mayoral and Democratic Services

Remembrance Day Parade and Service, Mayor's Charity Events, Civic Services, Democratic Representation
01582 891404 | michele.markus@dunstable.gov.uk

Community Services

Town Centre Management

Economic regeneration, Christmas lights, Ashton Square public toilets and twice-monthly themed markets
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Events Programme *including:*

Dunstable Live, Fireworks, Party in the Park, Proms in the Park
01582 891406 | lisa.vincent@dunstable.gov.uk | events@dunstable.gov.uk

Priory House

Heritage Centre, TIC, functions, tea rooms and gift shop
Priory House Heritage Centre, 33 High St South, Dunstable LU6 3RZ
01582 891420 | prioryhouse@dunstable.gov.uk

Grove Corner Young People's Centre

76a High Street North, Dunstable LU6 1NF
01582 891434 | info@dunstable.gov.uk

Older People's Support Service

Good Companions day care, CPCFC Lunch Club
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Creasey Park Community Football Centre

Artificial/grass pitches, function room, licensed bar, BMX track
Creasey Park Drive, Dunstable LU6 1BB
01582 891433 or 07712 861618 | cpcfc@dunstable.gov.uk

Peter Newton Pavilion (Managed by Beds FA)

Century House, Skimpot Road, Dunstable LU5 4JU | 01582 565111

Downside Community Centre

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