



YATELEY, FROGMORE & DARBY GREEN NEWS

AUTUMN 2021

Mayor's Message

By Councillor Gerry Crisp

Dear friends and neighbours,
I hope you all had a thoroughly enjoyable summer. Despite the lack of sunshine, we were able to see friends and family again, travel and even enjoy the first events in Yateley for over 18 months. Although we have not reached the end of the pandemic, it was a delight to be invited to open the Lions Club's Summer Fayre and see so many familiar faces enjoying the music, food, entertainment, games and stalls. I was also honoured to be able to present our many Local Heroes with their awards (and some Heroes chocolates!) after having been nominated by their fellow residents for their outstanding contribution to the community during the pandemic.

The Council has been busy creating a new website, which will have a fresh, modern look and be a far more useful resource for residents than ever before. This will be ready within the next few weeks, so please keep an eye on our social media pages for when it goes live.

At the start of October, I hosted my first Mayor's fundraising Event since early 2020. The golf day, hosted at Blackwater Valley Golf Club, was a success and raised £1000 for charity. To continue fundraising, I will also host a Councillor's Christmas Carolling event around Yateley, Frogmore and Darby Green.

Take a look at the last page of this newsletter for dates for the diary, including the Yateley & District Lions Club's Fireworks Fiesta on 6th November, and the much-loved Christmas Market on 27th November. In this edition of the newsletter, we also update you on the work of local community groups, Council projects and other events that have taken place since our last publication.

I look forward to seeing lots of you out and about enjoying festivities this autumn and winter, and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for when the time comes!



The Great Big Green Week

By Councillor Pam Phelps-Jones

As part of the Great Big Green Week, Yateley Climate Action Network organised a litter pick on Saturday 25th September. From their base at The Tythings, 8 bags of litter were collected from around the Village Hall and the Men's Shed, School Lane, the Reading Road and Vigo Lane by an intrepid group of volunteers. Thanks to everyone who picked and supported the event.

Meet the Councillors



'I was born in London and moved to Yateley when I was just 8 years old. I'm a single parent with a 12 year old daughter, and I'm a crafter who works from home. I have a genuine interest in helping others and being part of our community, as well as a strong desire to support our local businesses. I go to a lot of festivals around the country, so can be described as quite the hippie at heart! I LOVE living in Yateley and I am so excited about being a Councillor.'

Councillor Fae Fallon

SATURDAY 6TH NOVEMBER Westfields JUNIOR SCHOOL

YATELEY LIONS & WESTFIELDS JUNIOR SCHOOL FIREWORKS FIESTA 2021

Westfields Junior School Playing Fields, School Lane
 Gates Open 6.00pm Bonfire 6.45pm Fireworks 7.00pm
 Hotdogs, chips, refreshments and glow products available.
 Adults £6.00 (Advance £5) Child (4-16yrs) £3.00 (Advance £2.00)
 Tickets from: Westfields Junior School, Simon's - Aylsham Way, Londis - Tudor Drive,
 Yateley Angling Centre, DMK News- by Waitrose, Yateley Post Office & Dee's Stores
 No advance sales after Friday 5th November
NO PRIVATE FIREWORKS OR SPARKLERS

Lions Club Update

By Yateley & District Lions Club

Following the fantastic community support for the Summer Fayre at the end of August, Yateley Lions are now planning two further public events for this year:

Firstly, the ever popular Yateley Fireworks on the evening of 6th November at Westfields Junior School with the gates opening at 6pm.

Secondly, the enjoyable Christmas Market at Church End, in front of the Dog and Partridge, on Saturday 27th November from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. Short performances are invited from local groups, schools etc.

As time progresses more details will be released. Please follow us on Facebook and our website www.yateleylions.co.uk

Yateley CHRISTMAS MARKET
Saturday 27th November

Church End Green
 (By Dog & Partridge pub)
3:30pm to 6:30pm

Christmas lights switch on
 Seasonal Music
 Amusements
 Gift and food stalls
 Christmas goodies
 Morris Dancing
 And more in
St Peter's Church

Free parking at Yateley Manor school
 fun for the whole family

A Yateley Lions Production
 with Yateley Town Council

REPORTING PROBLEMS WITH OUR ROADS

Have you noticed any vegetation that overhangs or encroaches the pavement or road? Please report it to us!

Email office@yateley-tc.gov.uk or call 01252 872198. The vegetation must affect the public highway and not be on a private road.

To report any other issues concerning pavements or roads, please visit www.fixmystreet.com.

Yateley Climate Action Network

By Councillor Mark Griffin

Yateley Town Council is working towards our Vision Statement of making Yateley, Frogmore and Darby Green “A safe and green environment where everyone in the community will have full, healthy lives”.

To this end, Yateley Climate Action Network (YCAN) was set up in 2020 to identify and address issues concerning the climate emergency, while working in the context of our Neighbourhood Plan. Specifically, it was agreed to spread our efforts across a number of subgroups, each with an owner:

- Local action for nature
- Food
- ‘Less Stuff’
- Walk and Cycle Yateley
- Energy
- Building Standards – (with link to Neighbourhood Plan)
- Lobbying and Campaigning
- Information and Outreach



So far YCAN has been actively involved in tree planting, the creation of wildflower verges (driven by the Yateley Society) and litter picking. Several YCAN presentations have been made to local groups with more forthcoming. YCAN reports to the Council's Environment Committee, and has links with Hampshire County Council, Hart District Council as well as other local, interested bodies.

The website can be found at yateleycan.org.uk. If you want more information, or can find ways to help tackle climate change locally, then please contact Yateley Town Council on 01252 872198 or Councillor Mark Griffin on 01252 875558.

Trustees required for Yateley Village Hall

We are a small group of 7 trustees who manage the Village Hall. Our purpose is to generate sufficient funds to cover the running and maintenance costs to preserve this historic Yateley building, which is achieved by hiring the hall to regulars who run groups that benefit all ages, either educationally, physically or socially, along with people wishing to hold weekend functions.

As a Trustee you would:

- Attend monthly committee meetings where we discuss the Financial, Booking and Maintenance reports and any situations/issues that arise;
- Occasionally perform keyholder duties, i.e. unlocking and locking the building for weekend function hirers;
- Volunteer for sundry jobs that arise that you feel you can contribute to.

If this position is a role that you are interested in or you would like further information, we would love to hear from you. You may like to speak to Councillor Mark Griffin in the first instance, on 01252 875558 or at mark.griffin@yateley-tc.gov.uk. Alternatively, please email yateleyvh@gmail.com stating you would like to come along to our next committee meeting on 18th November at 9.30am at the Village Hall.

Gateway Christian Fellowship

Gateway Christian Fellowship are holding a CHRISTmas Service on Sunday 19th December at 10.30am at the Scout Lodge off Monteagle Lane in Yateley, GU34 6LU. Visit their website, where you can get all the details, information and directions - www.gatewaychristianfellowship.co.uk

Celebrating our Local Heroes

At the Yateley & District Lions Club's Summer Fayre on Monday 30th August, Yateley Town Council had the opportunity to celebrate the members of our community who were nominated as 'Local Heroes' by their fellow residents. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting those who went above and beyond for their neighbours during the pandemic. They received their awards and were able to read their nominations. We were also able to share our provisional ideas for the future of the COVID snake, and share photographs depicting Yateley, Frogmore and Darby Green's experience of the pandemic. Yateley Town Council would like to thank everyone who visited the marquee on the day.



We would like to add our thanks to everyone who kept the country going through the pandemic. From teachers and shop workers, to logistics teams, postal workers and beyond. We owe you all a debt of gratitude.

The Neighbourhood Plan - Shaping Our Town

Over the past few months, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has been working hard on finalising the Submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan. This version of the Plan incorporated all of the comments made during the previous public consultation, and the Plan is now in excellent shape to take forward to the next stages.

At the Full Council meeting on 25th October, the Town Council reviewed the Submission Plan and gave it the thumbs up to proceed to full submission. Following a final minor tidying up of text, the Plan will be formally submitted to Hart District Council, under Regulation 15, in mid-November.

A formal public consultation of the Plan will then take place. Look out for publicity on this via our social media pages and website.

This Plan has been several years in the making, and although we are not at the end yet, thanks go to Richard Quarterman and all of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, the many volunteers who have supported the journey along the way and given up their time to see this through, and to our Planning Consultant, Katie Bailey, who has provided the technical input to deliver a Plan to shape our town that we can be truly proud of.



**Yateley, Darby Green
& Frogmore
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
2020 - 2032**



**SUBMISSION PLAN VERSION
NOVEMBER 2021
Yateley Town Council**

New Beginnings, New Bus, New Drivers, New Hirers & New Board Members

yelabus is a local charity, part funded by Yateley Town Council. It has two air-conditioned modern minibuses that are fitted with tail lifts available for hire to groups. It operates seven days a week. During the lockdowns you might have seen them delivering medical supplies.

With the relaxation of COVID restrictions, yelabus is looking to build on the arrival of their new bus (named after its late Chairman and previous Yateley Town Mayor, Andy Whitaker), and build on the continued support of Yateley Town Council and the generous donation we have received.

If you would like to help your local community by volunteering to drive one of the buses - particularly in the evening or at weekends, please contact Tracey Crane at operationsmanager@yelabus.org.uk or on 07719799263.

If you run a group and need transport to matches, events or meetings – particularly in the evening or weekend, contract Tracey. Our buses can be configured to accommodate a mixture of wheelchair users amongst traditional seating.



The buses are available for hire at a very competitive rate, with MiDAS qualified DBS checked drivers. yelabus is also looking to expand its number of Board members. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact John at chair@yelabus.org.uk or on 07825152333. In particular, yelabus need to appoint a Treasurer – you don't need to have experience but it helps if you are good with numbers.

www.yelabus.org.uk

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH ST PETER'S CHURCH

St Peter's Church know how much everyone missed being able to join together last Christmas to celebrate the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. The Good News is that they are planning a great range of opportunities to celebrate the real Christmas together as follows:

- **Sunday 5th December** - Community Christingle at 10.00am in Fyson Blum Hall, Yateley Manor School, Reading Road.
- **Saturday 11th December** – Outdoor Nativity at 5.00pm at Church End Green. A live tableau with actors and animals.
- **Sunday 19th December** – Traditional Carol Services at 4.00pm and 6.00pm in St Peter's Church.
- **Christmas Eve** – Crib Services. Come along and join them for these special services celebrating Jesus's birth. If children would like to dress as an angel, shepherd or other nativity character they are welcome to get involved in the action! 3.00pm, 4.15pm and 5.30pm in St Peter's Church.
- **Christmas Eve** – 11.30pm Midnight Communion.
- **Christmas Day** – 8.00am Christmas Morning Service and 10.00am Family Service.

Daisy Chain Café returns to business

We are pleased to announce that, since the closure of the last 17 months, Daisy Chain Café reopened in August this year. The café has sessions every Monday afternoon at the Darby Green Centre, and aims to assist those with dementia or cognitive impairment and their helpers to feel part of the community and to socialise and be entertained. A diagnosis is not required and self referrals can be made. Please pop in and see us if you feel this may be for you or perhaps a family member.

We are a local volunteer led charity and all of our financial needs are met through donations.

Julia Wedlock, Coordinator and Chairman - daisychaincafe1@gmail.com



**For people living with
Dementia or memory
loss, and their family
and friends**

Charity Number

1192818

2.30 – 4.30pm

Every Monday

(except bank holidays)

**Darby Green Centre, Darby Green
Road, Yateley. GU170DT**

Free to attend

The Daisy Chain café offers a dementia friendly place for people with dementia or memory loss, their partners, families and friends to meet up for a chat and some refreshment. You can also get helpful information and share the support of others.

We are also welcoming new volunteers to help at the cafe on a regular or ad hoc basis.

The Darby Green Centre has an ample car park and is on Stagecoach Route 3.

If you would like further information please email

daisychaincafe1@gmail.com

or call Yateley Town Council on 01252 872198

Facebook Daisy Chain Cafe -Yateley

Hitting the Cold Spots **Helping you stay warm**



Keeping warm keeps you well

No one wants a cold home, but it can be hard to keep warm.

Being too cold in your home can cause health problems including bad chests, heart conditions and poor blood circulation.

If you are struggling with a cold home, Hitting the Cold Spots advisors are here to help.

Contact us:

T: **0800 804 8601** *Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm*

E: **staywarm@environmentcentre.com**

W: **www.hants.gov.uk/cold-spots**

The advice line is open to all Hampshire residents. Some services have eligibility criteria. Our advisors can discuss the best possible solution for you.

Dates for the Diary

YATELEY & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB BONFIRE NIGHT

Saturday 6th November • 6.00pm • Westfields Junior School Playing Fields, School Lane

Yateley & District Lions Club are pleased to announce that they will be hosting the Yateley Firework Fiesta this year, in partnership with Westfields Junior School. Tickets are available on the gate or in advance at discounted rate until 5th November from Westfields Junior School, DMK News (by Waitrose), Simon's (Aylesham Way), Yateley Post Office (Harpton Parade), Yateley Angling Centre (The Parade), Dee's Stores (Reading Road) and Londis (Tudor Drive). Visit www.yateleylions.co.uk for details.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY PARADE

Sunday 14th November • 3.00pm • from Hall Lane, Yateley

The annual Remembrance Sunday Parade to the war memorial will be taking place from St Swithun's Church at 3pm on Sunday 14th November. Due to social distancing restrictions, there will be a closed service at St Swithun's Church prior to the parade.

YATELEY & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 27th November • 3.30pm - 6.30pm • Church End Green, Reading Road GU46 7LS

Yateley & District Lions Club will once again be running their Christmas Market outside the Dog & Partridge pub on Church End Green, with all the usual stalls, entertainment and festive fun for all ages!

Yateley's Markets

Yateley's Saturday and Tuesday Markets have been supported by residents this year as they have been out and about enjoying Yateley Green's pond, open space and play area.

Now that we're well and truly into autumn, we have made the decision to put the Saturday Market on hold until spring 2022. We thoroughly enjoyed having traders on Yateley Green at the weekend throughout the summer, and look forward to welcoming our much-loved traders back in the spring once the weather is brighter and traders are more available.

You will still be able to purchase your fresh fruit and veg, artisan bread & pastries at the Tuesday Market in The Tythings car park (GU46 7RP) as normal throughout the autumn and winter, so we look forward to seeing you there.



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