

FESTIVE MESSAGE

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Festive Season and a Happy & Healthy New Year!

The Town Council offices will be closed from Friday 23 December and re-open on Tuesday 3 January 2023.



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DIARY DATES

5th December 2022

Planning & Highways Committee meeting

12th December 2022

Community Services Committee meeting

3rd January 2023

Planning & Highways Committee Meeting

16th January 2023

Policy & Resources Committee Meeting

Other Events:

Mayor's Festive Afternoon Tea

(by ticket only) - 13th December from 2pm - 4:30pm in Newbury Baptist Church.

Civic Carol Service

16th December - St John's Church, 6pm - All are welcome to attend.

NEWBURY MARKET

Every Thursday & Saturday in the Market Place. The Market will be open every Thursday and Saturday throughout the festive season.



SATURDAY SURGERY

Town Hall Steps every Saturday 10am - 12 noon

MAYOR'S FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA

Following on the success of last year's Festive Afternoon Tea Party event, the Mayor of Newbury, Cllr Gary Norman, is inviting the town's oldest residents to join him and have the opportunity to enjoy another Afternoon Tea. Cllr Gary Norman said, "I'm very excited to be hosting this event following the success of last year's. With the 'Mayor's Drive & Tea Party' no longer taking place, it's important to me that we can offer an alternative event which will be just as much, or even more fun!". The tea party will take place on Tuesday 13th December from 2pm in Newbury Baptist Church Hall. Guests will be served an afternoon tea box with sandwiches, scones and sweet treats along with a cup of tea and a festive tippie. Places for this event are limited to ticketed entry, therefore booking is essential which will be on a first come, first served basis. Please note that guests should be over the age of 75 years and will be required to arrange their own transport to and from the church hall. To reserve your place, contact the Mayor's Office supplying your name, date of birth, postal address along with any dietary requirements.



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- By Post to Mayor's Parlour, Newbury Town Hall, Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5AA

NEW INCLUSIVE WHEELCHAIR SEESAW UNVEILED IN VICTORIA PARK

Newbury Town Council has installed a new inclusive seesaw in Victoria Park with the help of a £10,000 grant from the National Lottery Community Fund. Children from the Keevil Unit at Speenhamland School were the first to give it a try on 24 November when the Mayor of Newbury, Cllr Gary Norman officially opened the new facility. The seesaw will allow children who are wheelchair users the chance to enjoy Victoria Park alongside the already existing accessible roundabout. The seesaw is one of only three in the UK! Cllr Gary Norman said, "This is a great addition to the great facilities we already have at Victoria Park. As a Council, we pride ourselves on doing what we can to be more inclusive. We hope that this new piece of equipment will encourage families that have wheelchair users". Marley Clough-Culliford & Aaliyah Proctor from the Keevil Unit at Speenhamland Primary School were one of the first children to have a go and were overjoyed at the new addition saying that they're likely to come to the park more often with their families "10/10, better than Maths & English!" The Council are providing more inclusive playground equipment in the existing playground in Victoria Park, so that all children can enjoy the park and playground, no matter their physical ability. Although this new equipment can be used by all, this project will make a substantial difference for children with limited mobility and wheelchair users and is an additional improvement to the playground which also has an accessible roundabout.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY PARADE & SERVICE IN NEWBURY

The Remembrance Sunday Parade & Service was held in Newbury on Sunday 13 November 2022. Following the brief Service of Remembrance in the Market Place, the parade marched past the War Memorial where wreaths were laid on the way into St Nicolas Church. There was a qualified British Sign Language expert at the event to ensure that those people who need help hearing the service were able to see the Signer. Cllr Gary Norman, Mayor of Newbury said, "We are grateful that so many veterans, service personnel, uniformed organisations, youth groups, voluntary organisations and members of the public take part and attend the Newbury Remembrance Parade and Service each year. Our community comes together at this time to remember those who have given their lives in the service of the country. It is a poignant occasion, and I was honoured to be taking the salute on behalf of our Town."

