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MEETINGS AT THE TOWN HALL

Monday 2 November
Victoria Park Projects Sub- Committee

Monday 16 November
Grants Sub-Committee

Monday 23 November
Planning & Highways Committee

Monday 30 November
Civic Pride, Arts & Culture

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 8 November
Newbury Remembrance Parade & Service

Saturday 14 November
Over 80's Parcel Fund
Coffee Morning 10am - 12 noon
Town Hall, Market Place

Saturday 14 November
Christmas Lights Switch-On Day & Newbury Market in Northbrook Street

Saturday 28 November
Young Business Showcase with Newbury Market
Market Place



MEET A TOWN COUNCILLOR

📍 **Town Hall steps**
🕙 **Saturdays, 10am–12pm**
Discuss local issuess and share ideas for Newbury's future.

NEWBURY WINS TOP BLOOM AWARDS IN 2026





Newbury is celebrating another fantastic achievement after retaining the Best Large Town Trophy and Silver Gilt Award at the Thames & Chiltern in Bloom 2026 campaign.

Following last year's success, when Newbury won the Best Large Town Trophy for the first time, the awards recognise the continued efforts of volunteers, community groups, contractors and Council staff in keeping the town beautiful, green and welcoming.

From maintaining parks and gardens to supporting environmental projects, litter picking and graffiti removal, their hard work helps create attractive spaces for residents and visitors to enjoy.

Newbury also received special recognition through a centenary award celebrating biodiversity and environmental responsibility. Friends of the Earth Newbury won the award for its Newbury Nature Corridors Project, which was selected from eight shortlisted projects across Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire.

The project aims to connect the town through wildlife corridors, supporting the planting of woodlands and hedges, the creation of ponds and collaboration with local schools, churches and volunteers. Judges praised it as an inspiring example of how communities can work together to protect wildlife and improve biodiversity.

YOUNG SQUIRRELS EXPLORE NEWBURY'S HISTORY AT THE TOWN HALL

Newbury Town Council welcomed a group of young Squirrels to Newbury Town Hall for an evening of history and discovery, hosted by the Mayor, Cllr Jo Day.

Accompanied by the Mayor and Town Clerk, the children explored the historic building, learning about Newbury's Mayors dating back to 1596, the town flag and civic traditions.

Highlights included sitting in the Mayor's chair, trying the gavel, dressing up in ceremonial hats and robes, and discovering Queen Elizabeth II's signature in the Mayor's dressing room. They also learned about the fascinating history of Jack of Newbury.

The visit provided a fun opportunity for the young visitors to learn more about their town's heritage and the traditions that continue to shape Newbury today.



"It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and curiosity as they explored the building, asked questions and discovered more about Newbury's civic traditions."