

## MEETINGS AT THE TOWN HALL

**Monday 4 August**  
Planning & Highways  
Meeting

**Monday 11 August**  
Victoria Park  
Sub-Committee

**Monday 1 September**  
Planning & Highways  
Committee

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



A service of commemoration for VJ80 will be held at the Newbury War Memorial at 11am on Friday 15 August. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## WHAT'S ON AT VICTORIA PARK

**Wednesday 6 to Sunday 17 August**  
Hebborns Family Funfair

**Saturday 2 August 2-4pm**  
**Scampy**  
(musical performance)

**Sunday 3 August 3-5pm**  
Ramsbury Silver Band

**Saturday 9 August 12-5pm**  
Rathayatra Festival

**Sunday 10 August 3-5pm**  
Pheonix Brass

**Saturday 16 August 5:30 - 8:30pm**  
Roadhouse

**Saturday 23 August 3-5pm**  
St Nic's Band

**Sunday 24 August 12-4pm**  
Art on the Park

**Sunday 31 August 3-5pm**  
Cold Ash Brass

## GREEN FLAG AWARDED FOR ANOTHER YEAR!

Victoria Park has once again earned the prestigious Green Flag Award for 2025/26, maintaining its status as one of the UK's top green spaces since first receiving the award in 2019. City Recreation Ground has also retained its Green Flag status, originally awarded in 2023.

The Green Flag Award, a mark of excellence for parks and green spaces, recognises high environmental standards, maintenance, and visitor facilities. This year, judges praised Newbury Town Council's environmental efforts, the restoration of Victoria Park's historic bandstand, and vibrant planting schemes.

Judges described Victoria Park as a vital community space, rich in heritage and welcoming to all ages.

Cllr Vaughan Miller, Chair of the Community Services Committee, said, "We are delighted to retain Green Flag status for both parks. Our teams, along with contractors John O'Conner Grounds Maintenance Ltd, have worked hard to maintain these high standards.

We're especially excited about the upcoming refurbishment of the Community Café in Victoria Park."



## NEWBURY WELCOMES THAMES & CHILTERN IN BLOOM JUDGES ON A VERY HOT SUMMER'S DAY



On 11 July, Newbury welcomed judges from the Thames & Chiltern In Bloom competition, part of the RHS's Britain in Bloom initiative. Despite the summer heat, the judges toured the town's green spaces and met local volunteer groups committed to sustainability and community gardening. Cllr Ian Jee praised the community's efforts and enthusiasm. Judges' feedback will be revealed in September.

## JOIN US AT THE MAYOR'S COFFEE MORNING SUPPORTING BERKSHIRE YOUTH

Join us on **Saturday 23rd August**, 10 - 12 noon in the Town Hall for the Mayor's Coffee Morning in support of Berkshire Youth. This fantastic local charity has been empowering young people for 85 years, offering safe spaces, mentoring, and activities that support mental well-being and personal development. From the Waterside Centre in Newbury to rural youth clubs, Berkshire Youth helps young people overcome challenges and reach their full potential.

Come along for coffee, cake, and conversation.

