



MAYOR'S CHARITY QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT
 in aid of THE MAYOR'S BENEVOLENT FUND
 Teams of up to 6 people welcome
 Prizes for the winning team
 FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER
 7PM START
 CHEQUERS HOTEL, NEWBURY
 BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY
 VISIT: NEWBURY TOWN HALL
 EMAIL: MAYOR@NEWBURY.GOV.UK
 PHONE: 01235 334106

£15 PER PERSON
 INCLUDES PRIZES, CHICKEN OR VEGETABLE CURRY

MAYOR OF NEWBURY'S QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT!

Cllr Gary Norman, Mayor of Newbury, is inviting teams of up to 6 people to put their knowledge to the test by taking part in a 'Mayor's Quiz & Curry Night' on Friday 23rd September at The Chequers Hotel in Newbury starting at 7pm. The event will raise funds for the Mayor's Benevolent Fund, which helps those in financial need within our local community through grant funding. Quiz entry is just £15 per person, proceeds will go towards the Mayor's Benevolent Fund, and you will also receive either a chicken or vegetable curry for dinner cooked by the chefs at The Chequers Hotel. Tickets must be booked in advance by calling 07538 334106, emailing mayor@newbury.gov.uk or calling into the Town Hall in the Market Place.



Making Newbury a town we can all be proud of.

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DIARY DATES

- 8 August 2022**
Full Council
Committee Meeting
(Council Chamber)
- 22 August 2022**
Planning & Highways
Committee Meeting
(Council Chamber)
- 12 September 2022**
Planning & Highways
Committee Meeting
(Council Chamber)
- 19 September 2022**
Community Services
Committee
(Council Chamber)
- Victoria Park
Bandstand (3-5pm):**
Sat 6th August:
Rectory Close Jammers
Sun 7th August:
East Woodhay Silver Band
Sat 13th August:
Rathayatra Festival
(noon till 5pm)
Sun 14th August:
South Berks Concert
Band

HAVE YOUR SAY! HUTTON CLOSE PUBLIC CONSULTATION NOW OPEN!



The Town Council owns and maintains the open space at Hutton Close comprising an area of around 2.6 acres. From 2018 to 2021 David Wilson Homes used a section of the open space for a temporary construction compound whilst building the adjoining housing at Hutton Close.

The land has remained largely an open space for a number of years and used mainly for dog walking. There are 2 small goalposts at the centre which are occasionally used by local young children.

We would like your opinion on the use of the open space going forward and how it could be improved. Cllr Martin Colston, Leader of the Council said, "We are sending letters directly to residents in the surrounding area as well as promoting on our website and social media so I would encourage anyone who uses the area or lives nearby to have their say and get involved".

The consultation can be found on our website <https://www.newbury.gov.uk/the-council/public-consultations/>
 The closing date for your views is midnight, 30 October 2022

VICTORIA PARK BANDSTAND TO HAVE A FACELIFT!

The much-loved Bandstand in Victoria Park, which sees a full programme of musical events throughout the summer, is set to have a full refurbishment.

We provided some funds in this year's budget for this project and we have since received further funding via The Good Exchange which will allow the renovations to take place ready for the Summer 2023 season. We would especially like to thank The Greenham Trust, West Berkshire Council and the Syder Foundation for their generous support.

The Bandstand has hosted a number of music events throughout the summer, including the Jazz Platform, The Rectory Close Jammers and our Town Band, Watership Brass. Most weekends from May through to September there are musical performances in the afternoons. All events in the Park can be found on our website: <https://www.newbury.gov.uk/services/victoria-park/>



NEWBURY MARKET

Every Thursday & Saturday in the Market Place.



SATURDAY SURGERY

Town Hall Steps every Saturday 10am - 12 noon

BLUE PLAQUE FOR REV JAMES BICHENO NEWBURY CAMPAIGNER AGAINST THE SLAVE TRADE IN THE LATE 18TH CENTURY

Newbury Town Council is pleased to announce the unveiling of its sixteenth blue plaque, to the Rev. James Bicheno who was Baptist Minister of Newbury 1780-1807, and a leading Newbury campaigner against the trade in slaves from Africa to the West Indies. He organised two petitions against the trade, to be presented to Parliament in 1788 and 1792, in the names of the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and inhabitants of Newbury. The plaque was unveiled on Friday 29 July, by the Mayor of Newbury, Cllr Gary Norman.



JAMES BICHENO

It is located on the gate post of Greenham House, the premises of Newbury Gardens Day Nursery in Greenham Road. From about 1796 to 1811, Greenham House was the site of a boarding school for boys, run by Rev. Bicheno in addition to his pastoral duties.

Rev. Bicheno's second petition in 1792 was signed by 333 people, led by the Mayor Joseph Toomer and the Rev. Bicheno, and was one of 500 such petitions. Following the nation-wide campaigning in which James Bicheno played his part, the slave trade was abolished by Act of Parliament in 1807 and slavery was abolished throughout the British Empire in 1833.