



# Around Radlett

Summer 2019

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**WATLING STREET, RADLETT c1924**





Councillor  
Viv Charrett

# Chairman's Message

It has been a relatively quiet couple of months for the Parish Council, as elections took place in May and we were winding down a little before the new councillors took up their positions. This time, an unprecedented six councillors retired, which means that there are now several new faces who will be learning the scope of their roles and what aspects of council business they want to get involved with.

In the meantime, I was delighted to be invited again, along with Brenda Batten, Hertsmere's Mayor, to present the medals and awards at the Rotary Club's Annual Fun Run on May Day Bank Holiday. Once again, there was a terrific turn out, both of adults and children for the two courses. They all did incredibly well, and I was very impressed with their enthusiasm and commitment. Many congratulations to all!

In terms of the Neighbourhood Plan, we ran a second consultation evening in response to some residents who had been away at the first occasion and wanted the opportunity to understand the detail first-hand. This consultation period is now finished, so we can move onto the next, which is the involvement of the Government Inspector. However, it becomes clear that several residents are confused about the difference between the

Neighbourhood Plan, and Hertsmere's proposals for the Local Plan. In very simple terms, the Neighbourhood Plan has been put together by some councillors but mostly by residents, and covers design aspects of buildings, size, mixture of small and large homes, retaining the verdant nature of the village, spacing between buildings, and generally keeping the village a pleasant place to live and the semi-rural appearance of many roads. Hertsmere's Local Plan is the one where discussions continue about how many new homes should be built, and where these might be, and the two are quite separate.

I am now retiring and have handed over the Chair to Cllr Garry Walton, who has been a councillor for many years. I wish him the best of luck, and if you have issues, you know who to call!

I will have now moved down the South Coast, but will be up and down regularly to Radlett, I am sure, so hope to see some of you again in the future.



I am sure the village will be in good hands of the new councillors, and I wish you all good fortune in the future.

*Viv Charrett  
Chairman  
Aldenhams Parish Council*

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Member of Finance and General Purposes Committee



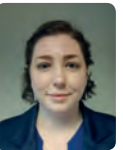
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## Forthcoming Committee Meetings July 2019 – October 2019

All meetings will be held at 7:30pm

### July

Mon 1 Planning  
Mon 8 Finance & General Purpose  
Mon 15 Planning  
Mon 22 Full Council  
Mon 31 Open Spaces

### August

Mon 5 Planning  
Mon 19 Planning

### September

Mon 2 Planning  
Mon 9 Community Development  
Mon 16 Planning  
Mon 23 Full Council

### October

Thurs 10 Planning  
Mon 14 Finance & General Purpose  
Mon 21 Planning  
Mon 28 Full Council

### Oliver Dowden, MP for Hertsmere

Your local MP Oliver Dowden holds regular surgeries around the constituency. If you would like to arrange an appointment then please call 020 7219 6239 or email: [oliver@oliverdowden.com](mailto:oliver@oliverdowden.com)



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## All change at Aldenham Parish Council



Aldenham Parish Council is in its 125th year of existence, its first official meeting was in early 1895. The Council is the civil parish, being part of the Local Government branch of Community Governance in England. This is opposed to the ecclesiastical parish which is part of the Church of England. The Council own or lease over 65 acres of land and is responsible for some 1500 trees, two children play areas and various open space which encompass informal recreational use as well as formal sports such as rugby, cricket and Bowls. It also has an allotment area in Radlett.

The Council consist of twelve elected councillors who set policy, and the equivalent of 7.83fte staff in either the offices at the Radlett Centre or the outside staff at the depot in Phillimore Recreation Ground.

The Council have elections every four years, normally at the same time as the Borough Council elections, and this year they were held on May 2nd. Of the twelve Councillors elected in 2015 five had decided to retire, and one was not re-elected.

### A look back from some retiring councillors



#### Neil Payne

I was first elected to the Parish Council in 1991, and served on the Council for 4 years until, rather unexpectedly, the Conservatives lost Aldenham West for the first time in 1995. Despite having to travel widely on business during that

period, I was an active councillor. The highlight was my involvement in the planning for The Radlett Centre, under the vision and leadership of the then chairman Douglas Hicks. This was fascinating, and led to my appointment as one of the four Council representatives on the initial RCT Board when the company was set in 1996.

In 1999, I was elected as a Borough Councillor. In 2001 I was elected Leader of Hertsmere Borough Council, which role I continued to occupy until 2006. Following my retirement as a Borough Councillor in 2007, I was asked to fill a casual vacancy on the Parish Council in 2009. Initially, I was not very active, with my only involvement being on the RCT Board. However, this did not last long, and I soon immersed myself in the Council's activities, particularly the Planning Committee. I was appointed to chair the newly-formed Strategic Planning Committee, which had the task of systematically reviewing and updating procedures in order that the Council managed the Council's assets more efficiently, and also put in place a long-term strategic budgeting system.

In 2013, I took over as Chairman of the Parish Council from Ron Worthy. I was privileged and honoured to lead the Council for 5 years until May 2018, when I stepped down as Chairman in view of my impending move, together with my wife, to Harrogate in order to be closer to our daughter and family. I am proud of the progress made in addressing some of the major issues facing the Council. Despite moving up to Harrogate in May 2018, I continued to serve on the Parish Council until May 2019, and in the last year attended a number of meetings of both the Full Council and certain committees.

One of the major aspects of my role as Chairman was to oversee the initiation of the Local Neighbourhood Plan, and to chair the Steering Group responsible for its preparation.

This proved to be a demanding, but most satisfying, task, and regarded by me to be a priority for our residents.

I found it most rewarding to be able to give back something to the local community, having been resident in Radlett for 42 years.



#### Chris Wilkins

I was elected 12 years ago. My aim was to make a difference. My particular interests were, and remain, recreation and leisure.

Along with others – fellow-councillors and officers – I have been able to improve and make better use of the many pieces of land owned by the Parish. APC now offers many more leisure activities than it did 12 years ago.

The highs have included the friendship and positivity of the many people I have met and worked with and observing the increased participation of local residents in community-led activities.

The only low has been the extreme and ill-informed criticism and negativity that has been broadcast by a small minority, particularly via social media. Such unpleasant and ignorant comment is highly dispiriting to those who give up their time, for no financial reward, to do their best for the community. In 12 years, I failed to find the “trough” into which my snout was alleged to be inserted and I was not offered any “brown envelopes”!

Could I have achieved more: yes. Did I get everything right: no.? At least, hopefully, I satisfied the majority.



#### Viv Charrett

I first joined the Council 16 years ago, after taking early retirement from GE. I really didn't know what to expect, and the prospect of having to be elected was really quite daunting. However, in the event, the canvassing was actually quite fun, talking to lots of people. Initially I got involved with setting up the Radlett Festival, after a lapse of some years, and went on to chair it for the next 10 years. I have been on the Planning Committee for my whole 16 years, and chaired it for the last 10 years



or so, which has been very interesting, often frustrating, but good to see so many residents attend the meetings and being able to represent their views to Hertsmere in a more official, structured way. I have sat on most of the committees during that period, but my last year as Chairman has been very rewarding (non-financially!) and extremely interesting. As most of you know, I am moving down to Dorset to be closer to my family, but after 41 years in Radlett, this will be a big change and I will certainly miss all of your friendship and camaraderie, and especially that of my council colleagues.

I wish all the new councillors as much enjoyment out of their time on APC as I have had!



#### **Gill Balen**

I was co-opted on to APC 14 years ago and have served on every committee and several outside bodies over that time.

It seems to me that a Parish Council should be removed from Party politics, but should be solely for the benefit of local residents whatever their loyalties. Since I have been a Councillor we have never done anything on political lines.

I have mostly enjoyed my time on APC although I have found the negative attitudes of some people very hard to cope with. Members of APC are volunteers, and perhaps those dissatisfied residents should try to understand the responsibilities of Parish as opposed to Borough Councils. I have enjoyed being involved in all the activities of APC and hope my contribution has been helpful. It has been a very interesting 14 years!

Thanks to a kind sponsor, I was lucky enough to be awarded an MBE partly for services to the local community, and this was a highlight during my time on APC.

### **A look forward from some new councillors**



#### **Dermot Wickham**

Aged 61, having recently retired after almost 40 years working in the City. He has lived in Radlett for over 20 years with his wife Shuna and his two grown up children (both attended Newberries School). Dermot has

been active as a volunteer in several local groups, including Porters Park Golf Club, Radlett Tennis Club (currently Hon Sec), Radlett Cricket Club and Radlett Village Facebook Group.



#### **Przemek de Skuba**

An entrepreneur who lives in Radlett. He is married and his two children attend Newberries Primary School. It is due to his young family that he has decided to get involved in the local government here

in Aldenham East. He is particularly interested in having the local traffic better regulated, improving the existing outdoor and sports facilities, and protecting the green belt which we are lucky to be surrounded by.



#### **Alison Robinson.**

I have lived in Radlett for over 30 years. My family have grown up here and and I have watched Radlett grow from a small village into a more developed rural area.

I have been a member of many groups in order to help all residents have their say in connection with local issues. Joining the Parish Council is the next step to try and help the community from the inside. I look forward to the challenge.



#### **Helen Jones**

Born in Tameside and grew up in Saddleworth, enjoying walking in the hills and moors surrounding her.

Helen graduated from the University of Liverpool with a 2:1 (Hons) degree in History and English, and a Masters in Medieval and Renaissance Studies a year later. She went on to qualify as a History teacher but found her passion lay in working with Special Needs pupils, taking extra qualifications to specialise in Speech, Language and Communication Needs (SLCN), and Autism in particular.

She worked at Holloway School for 7 years in this role and relished the opportunity to work closely with pupils and their families, supporting them throughout their entire time at the school. During this time she also qualified as an ELKAN Teacher, training school staff throughout Islington and Haringay about SLCN.

She met her husband, Mark, whilst at university in Liverpool and they married in 2015. They moved to Radlett in 2016 and since giving up work last year Helen has been delighted to have a greater opportunity to be involved with the local community, joining the Women's Institute, helping found the Friends of Scrubbits Wood volunteer group, and volunteering at the Old Folks Lunch Club. Helen hopes that as a Councillor she can help sustain and develop the wonderful sense of community she has found here, as well as preserving the verdant nature of Radlett and its environs.



#### **Catherine Kilhams**

I moved to Radlett at the age of nine and apart from seven years away nursing in Oxford, I have lived here for most of my life.

I have two children aged twenty-four and twenty-five, who both still live at home, and my husband works in the City.

In the past I have been involved in the local NCT, Radlett Women's Group and have also been a member of the PTA at both of my children's schools.

Now I am a keen golfer, playing at Porters Park. Over the years I have also been involved in the local cricket club and tennis club.

I have seen Radlett change a lot over the last few decades, and am delighted that I am now in a position to have an influence in how Radlett evolves.

# Friends of Scrubbitt's Wood

Spring has seen a busy time in the wood with our merry band of volunteers working hard each month on a variety of projects. We have continued to remove the overgrown holly, which allowed a profusion of bluebells to carpet the woodland floor. We have also removed more of the invasive snowberries, and planted blackthorn and hawthorn in the gaps of the hedge boundary. All of our efforts to clear the undergrowth produced a lot of deadwood, which we arranged to be chipped by the council groundmen. We then spread this over the main path, with a little help from our local Rainbows group, helping to stop it becoming too muddy. As summer approaches we have to be more careful, as we don't wish to disturb the nesting birds. Instead during our latest meet we were building birdboxes, ready to be put up next winter.

We also held a Spring Egg Hunt, with stamps hidden around the wood. Once participants found all the stamps they could exchange their completed sheet for a chocolate prize!

If you wish to join us for our future volunteer days, you can contact us using the email address: [info@scrubbittswood.com](mailto:info@scrubbittswood.com)

Our next meetings will be held on:

**Sunday 14th July**

**Sunday 11th August**

**Sunday 22nd September**

**Sunday 13th October**

**Sunday 17th November**

**Sunday 15th December**



# Tennis Club of Excellence



Radlett Lawn Tennis & Squash Club (RLTSC) have just laid down 3 brand new courts along with multi-sport surface facilities. The club will utilise these facilities in the multi-sport tennis camp, birthday parties and events. The club will now be able to offer more to its members and community. Over recent years, RLTSC has dedicated time into producing a junior programme which caters for youngsters from beginner level up to international. What we have achieved at the club is unmatched. We currently have juniors with world and European rankings. Many are competing nationally and internationally and Radlett is top of many of the Hertfordshire junior leagues. Our mini tennis (10&U) are travelling around the area defeating many of the well known clubs. RLTSC is currently the hub for the Maccabi tennis, whereby I Jordan Miles will be travelling to Budapest with his Team GB squad this summer. Head of Junior performance coach, Chris Martin, is heading up Hertfordshire county squads along with Laura Collins, Head of mini performance, who has organised another trip to Madrid for our players.

This success has not happened overnight and much of our ground work, as a family tennis club in a village, is which grass roots tennis. We have set up a multi-sport holiday camp in the summer and a term time tennis school which caters for all levels. Our summer camp is in the process of receiving Ofsted status and we are working with the LTA to continue to improve our coaching service. We would like to attract as many juniors to our great programme and there is plenty of opportunity to get parents/adults on court as well!

To book onto our popular camp or tennis school please visit [www.rltsc.com](http://www.rltsc.com). Alternatively you can call me for any questions.







Over the Easter Period, two of Girlguiding Radlett District's young adult volunteer leaders, Charlotte and Hannah, joined four other Leaders from Hertfordshire and set off on a trip to The Gambia. The main purpose of the visit was to complete a service project in a school there.

Centenary celebrations are continuing within Girlguiding Radlett District. Having walked the London Bridges in January, the Guides joined with members of 1st Radlett Scout Group for Thinking Day activities on a Jamboree theme, followed by a special service in February.

Karen Clout received a County thanks certificate in March for her innovative project to make 1,000 community poppies for the village last Autumn, and two of our leaders travelled to The Gambia on a service project to a special educational needs school in April where they made a lasting impression on the children and teachers there (see separate article).

In May, units are each walking 'a leg' of the Aldenham Parish Council boundary, before passing on the virtual baton to the next unit to complete the circuit. 22 Rainbows in the District have recently enjoyed a sleepover, whilst Guides and Brownies head off at the end of this month for their Camps and Pack Holidays.

On 16th June Girlguiding Radlett District will once again join with 1st Radlett Scout Group to share an afternoon of traditional Guiding and Scouting in the beautiful gardens of Schopwick House, sometimes considered to be the birthplace of Guiding and Scouting in Hertfordshire. There will be a multitude of activities for the members and their dads especially (after all it is Father's Day!) to have a go at. All previous members of Guiding and Scouting are welcome to join us.

We are always looking for new leaders to help more girls enjoy girlguiding.

To register your interest, please visit: [girlguiding.org/uk](http://girlguiding.org/uk).

During the two weeks the main project we undertook was renovating the Methodist Special School by painting the walls and touching up the features in order to make the school look more colourful and vibrant, but also as a way for the children to learn. We spent a few lunchtimes playing with the children at the school, making the most of the parachutes and sports equipment that we donated, some of which they had never used before and were extremely excited about! It was so rewarding for us knowing that something so small that we were doing was making such a big impact in their lives by the joyous expressions on their faces. One day when we were out for dinner we caught the eye of a main Gambian TV Channel 'GTRS TV' who spoke to us and agreed to come and document some of what we were doing at the school. After they came and interviewed a few of us we found ourselves in the local newspapers the next day which must have been one of the most exciting moments for us. I most certainly felt famous! Alongside this we managed to squeeze in a few trips here and there to various animal parks (including monkeys and crocodiles), a day boat trip to Jufureh where the TV series 'Roots' based upon Kunta Kinteh was filmed and a couple of excursions out to the local beaches such as Leybato which were beautiful.

We donated bags of games equipment, sanitary products, stationery and clothing to the schools and local community and could immediately see what an impact these items would make on children's lives there. This fantastic trip enabled us to immerse ourselves into the local culture in so many ways including trying lots of new meals including Chicken Yassa and Benechin. We all came away feeling extremely grateful for what we have and have a greater understanding of how lucky we are, but also felt privileged that we were able to help less fortunate children and hopefully help to create a brighter future for many.

We would like to thank our hosts David and Janet Daniels and all of the people who supported us in our fundraising and in doing so helped us achieve an amazing life experience. We can't wait to tell our Brownie units all about it!



**Charlotte Day and Hannah Crewe**  
Girlguiding Radlett District



# What's On...



Remember to check the Aldenham Parish Council website for all up to date events and meetings  
[www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk](http://www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk)



**Sunday 7 July**

Radlett Horticultural Society Members event  
Garden Walkabout 2-5pm. For further details and membership enquiries please see our website [radletthortsoc.co.uk](http://radletthortsoc.co.uk)



**13th July 7 for 7.30 pm**

Music for a Summer Evening

Tickets: £18 to include drinks before the concert and supper in the interval.

To book your ticket please contact :  
[julia.beynon@ntlworld.com](mailto:julia.beynon@ntlworld.com)

**Sunday 21ST July**

visit to Woburn Abbey

Visit can be booked via the booking form on the website [www.radlett-art-society.co.uk](http://www.radlett-art-society.co.uk)



**Wednesday 31 July**

Radlett Horticultural Society Talk "Skulduggery in the Shrubbery - the sad, true and fascinating story of the Tradescants" by Stefan White, 8pm at Vision Hall - all welcome



**Thursday 8 August**

Radlett Horticultural Society members event  
Day Trip to Beth Chatto Gardens plus Green Island Gardens (booking from 30 June). For further details and membership enquiries please see our website [radletthortsoc.co.uk](http://radletthortsoc.co.uk)



**Thursday 15th August**

Radlett Art Society Lecture  
ALBRECHT DURER (1471-1528) Lecturer: Clare Ford-Wille, BA  
THE RADLETT CENTRE 7.30 for 8pm Members Free Visitors £10



**Saturday 7 September**

Radlett Horticultural Society Autumn Show where Members will be showing entries in over 100 classes of flowers, vegetables, domestic, craft and photography with special classes for children. For further details and membership enquiries please see our website [radletthortsoc.co.uk](http://radletthortsoc.co.uk)

3 - 5.30pm at Vision Hall. Early entry for disabled visitors 2.30pm. All welcome.

**Saturday 7th until Tuesday 10th September**

The 53rd Annual Summer Exhibition this year is at a new venue! We are very excited to be holding it in Battlers Green Barn (adjacent to Battlers Green House opposite the Farm and shops). The date has been moved, too. No longer will our visitors have to make a choice - watching Wimbledon, the Cup Final or viewing our exhibition!

Please come and support the exhibition and, if possible, join us for a glass of wine and nibbles from 12 noon - 1.00 pm on Saturday 7th September.

There will be ample parking both in the Battlers Green Farm car park, weather permitting, and in the adjacent field.



**Thursday 12th September**

Radlett Art Society Lecture  
SICKERT AND THE CAMDEN TOWN GROUP

Lecturer: Val Woodgate, BA

THE RADLETT CENTRE 7.30 for 8pm

Members Free Visitors £10



**12-15th September**

Art Exhibition - Preview  
Evening 12th September.

If you would like to exhibit please contact Ken Haslar

email: [art@aldenhamartfestival.org.uk](mailto:art@aldenhamartfestival.org.uk)

Open Friday-Sunday 13-15th September. Refreshments, tea and cakes.



**Sunday 22, Thursday 26 September**

Radlett Horticultural Society members holiday

to Instow, Devon based at the Commodore Hotel. For further details and membership enquiries please see our website [radletthortsoc.co.uk](http://radletthortsoc.co.uk)

**Sunday 22nd September**

visit to Penshurst Place

Visit can be booked via the booking form on the website [www.radlett-art-society.co.uk](http://www.radlett-art-society.co.uk)

**Saturday 28th September at 7 pm**

Annual Church Dinner - Fund Raising Event in aid of the Church

Edge Grove School,

Tickets £50. to include pre-dinner drinks and three course meal.

To reserve your tickets please contact  
[julia.beynon@ntlworld.com](mailto:julia.beynon@ntlworld.com).



**Tuesday 22nd October**

Radlett Art Society Lecture  
THE ART OF JOHN EVERETT MILLAIS

Lecturer: Sarah Stopford, BA (Harvard

THE RADLETT CENTRE 12 noon for 1pm

Welcome - Free to all



**Thursday 10th October 8pm**

Radlett Music Club event.  
A talk by John Suchet, the Classic FM's star presenter:  
"Tchaikovsky- The Man Revealed" at the Radlett Centre. Tickets £16.00 from the box office. Further details: <http://www.radlett-music-club.co.uk>

**SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER**

DULWICH PICTURE GALLERY and the REMBRANDT'S LIGHT EXHIBITION



**Wednesday**

**13 November**

Radlett Horticultural Society AGM, 7.30pm Vision Hall, followed by Talk - subject and speaker to be announced. All welcome. For further details and membership enquiries please see our website [radletthortsoc.co.uk](http://radletthortsoc.co.uk)

**Sunday 24 November**

Radlett Horticultural Society Store closes at 12 noon for the winter break - last chance to stock up on bird food!



**RADLETT ART SOCIETY**

**SUMMER EXHIBITION**

7<sup>TH</sup>-10<sup>TH</sup> September 2019



**OPEN**

Saturday 10am-5pm

Sunday 10am-5pm

Monday 10am-6pm

Tuesday 10am-4pm

**BATTLERS GREEN BARN**

Radlett WD7 8PH

**PREVIEW, with drinks & nibbles**

Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2019, Noon - 1pm

Free to exhibitors, £5 to guests





**ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FREE!**  
**FOR**  
**0 - 12**  
**YEAR**  
**OLDS**

**TUESDAY MORNINGS IN AUGUST**

# **SUMMERTIME**

**at Phillimore Recreation Ground, Gills Hill, Radlett, WD7 8AL**

Wildplay  
Face Painting  
Toddler Soft Play

**10AM - 12PM**

Local Sports Clubs  
Arts & Crafts  
Messy Play

**6TH BATTLE ZONES**

**13TH CRYSTAL MAZE**

**20TH SUPER HERO OLYMPICS**

**27TH SPY ACADEMY**

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# ALDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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## Aldenhams Parish Council Accounts 2018-19

Aldenhams Parish Council ("the Council") is required by statute to publish its annual accounts for the previous financial year. These accounts are audited both internally by Auditing Solutions Ltd and externally, for the Audit Commission, by BDO Stoy Hayward. These are the final unaudited accounts which are currently with the external auditor and we await their report.

### Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2019

2017-18	Income	2018-19	
632,635	Precept	Note 1	653,161
5,772	Bank interest		7,505
8,620	Grants	Note 2	4,214
21,812	Fees charged by Council	Note 3	18,952
3,483	Miscellaneous		2,743
15,887	Section 106	Note 4	-
54,509	Community Infrastructure Levy	Note 4	80,894
<b>742,718</b>	<b>Total Income</b>		<b>767,469</b>

2017-18	Expenditure	2018-19	
180,467	Council Administration	Note 5	207,197
192,061	Maintenance of Open Spaces	Note 6	174,648
148,843	Grant and contribution to Radlett Centre costs	Note 7	150,968
50,754	Community Events and interaction	Note 8	55,227
17,653	Grants awarded by the Council to outside bodies	Note 2	19,829
30,030	Radlett Neighbourhood Plan	Note 9	5,000
87,476	Capital Spending	Note 10	58,647
13,962	Section 106	Note 4	1,595
<b>721,246</b>	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>673,111</b>

### Funds balance represented by:

890,233	Balance brought forward as at 1st April 2018	911,705
21,472	Excess of income over expenditure for the year	94,358
<b>911,705</b>	<b>Balance C/F as at 31st March 2019</b>	<b>1,006,063</b>

### The reserves currently held by the Council are comprised as follows

	£
General Reserves.....	326,029
Earmarked Reserves (for certain Council projects).....	91,000
Capital Reserves (which can only be used on capital projects).....	448,133
Community Infrastructure Funds.....	140,901
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1,006,063</b>



**Note 1 -** Precept -- this is the amount of your Council Tax that is allocated to Aldenham Parish Council.

**Note 2 –** Grants – This includes monies received from Hertsmere Borough Councillors. Ward Improvement Grant towards the Summer Events held in Phillimore Rec in the school holiday, plus the events held on Remembrance Day to mark the centenary since the end of World War 1. There were also funds towards the provision of recycling bins in Phillimore Rec. Plus funds from the Letchmore Heath Village Trust which saw a Christmas Tree provided near the village green at Christmas.

APC also donate to the Hertsmere Citizens Advice Service who provide a weekly ‘drop in’ morning on a Tuesday at the Radlett Centre, and in the afternoon the room is used by Community Hertsmere. Other grants are made to some local groups to enable them to continue their excellent work including the annual Remembrance Day Service. APC also subsidise the Newberries Car Park so the first hour of use is free.

**Note 3 –** Fees charged by the Council -- Income derived from the hire of the allotments, leases with various local organisations who use APC land, stalls at the Winter Fair, advertising in Around Radlett and for use of council land for filming etc. This year, a local resident purchased a bench in Theobald Street by the bus stop.

**Note 4 –** Section 106 funds & Community Infrastructure Levy – These are funds that are paid to Hertsmere Borough Council by developers and passed on to APC, as a condition of certain planning permissions granted. Section 106 funds must be spent on specific projects, which in 2018/19 was spent on a new noticeboard for Aldenham Green.

Section 106 planning obligations has been replaced by Community Infrastructure Levy which is less specific on where it is spent, although this must still be allocated to capital funding rather than day to day maintenance.

**Note 5 –** Council Administration – These are the costs of managing the council offices at the Radlett Centre including Planning, Accounts and general management.

**Note 6 –** Maintenance of Open Spaces -- These are the costs of maintaining the open spaces owned or leased by Aldenham Parish Council, including Phillimore Rec (the allotments, children’s play area, main field and Fir Spring Wood), Scrubbitts Wood, Tykeside and Radlett Gardens, KGV Playing Fields, Aldenham Green, Letchmore Heath (The Green, the pond and Children’s Play area) and Pegmire Lane. This includes staffing, equipment maintenance, planting (including the hanging baskets on the High Street) and repairs.

**Note 7 –** Grant and contribution to Radlett Centre costs – This includes grant funding towards ensuring that local societies can hire the building at much-reduced rates, as well as funding towards cleaning and maintenance and a fund for the larger items that should need replacing in the next fifteen years.

**Note 8 –** Community Events and interaction -- all costs associated with engaging with the community such as website, administration, Around Radlett, the Winter Fair, Summer Activities, Youth Council and other community events.

**Note 9 –** Radlett Neighbourhood Plan – These are the on-going costs so far for producing Radlett’s first Neighbourhood Plan, which has just passed the final consultation, and is being submitted to the independent examiner for his/her consideration.

**Note 10 –** Capital Spending – Projects this year included secure fencing on land at Summerhouse Lane, planting hedging along the border of the allotments and main field at Phillimore Rec, funding the installation of CCTV at RadlettCC and Tabard RFC and finishing the upgrading of IT equipment in the office and depot.

I hope you have found this summary useful. If you have any queries or wish to see the actual accounts, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Peter Evans**  
Parish Council Manager



the radlett centre

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## JULY

Fri 5th History of Rock 7.30pm  
 Fri 12th Gill Sims 7.30pm  
 Sat 13th Teddy Bears Picnic 11am & 2pm  
 Sat 13th Dutch Swing College Band 7.30pm  
 Wed 17th Sam Avery 7.30pm  
 Thurs 18th Everly Brothers 7.30pm  
 Thurs 25th Sat 27th Buggy Malone 7.30pm (& 2.30pm Sat)  
 Mon 29th - Fri 2nd August Musical Theatre Workshop

## AUGUST

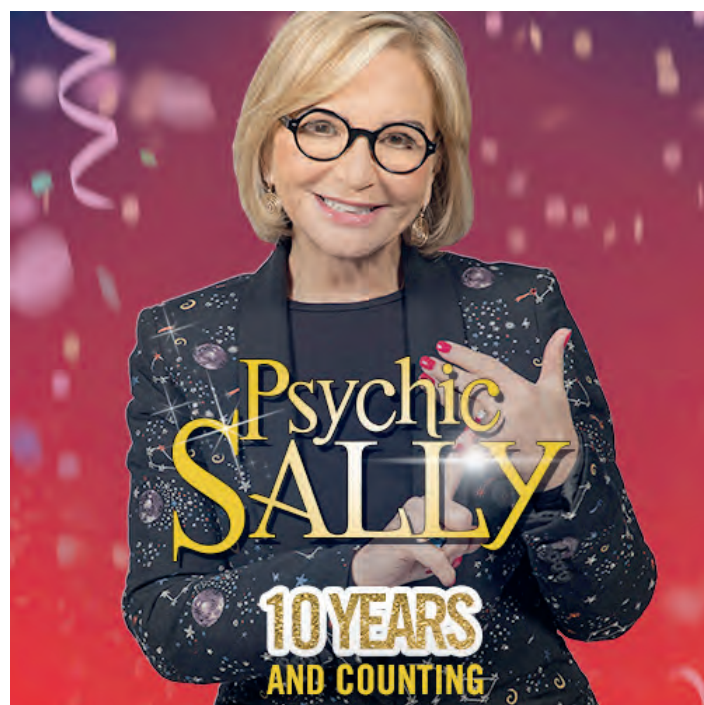
Tue 6th Aliens Love Underpants 1.30pm  
 Wed 7th Aliens Love Underpants 11am & 2pm  
 Thurs 8th Aliens Love Underpants 11am & 2pm  
 Thurs 15th Art Society Lecture 8pm  
 Mon 19th Fri 23rd Musical Theatre Workshop  
 Wed 28th Ariana Grande and Jojo Siwa 6.00pm  
 Fri 30th Hey Diddle Diddle 11am & 2pm

## SEPTEMBER

Sun 1st Christina Bianca 7.30pm  
 Wed 4th Tabby Mctat 1.30pm & 4.30pm  
 Thurs 5th Tabby Mctat 11am & 1.30pm  
 Sat 7th Beach Boys 7.30pm  
 Wed 11th Marty Wilde 7.30pm  
 Thurs 12th Art Society Lecture 8pm  
 Fri 13th Complete Madness 7.30pm  
 Sat 14th Syd Lawrence Orchestra 7.30pm  
 Tue 17th Blake 7.30pm  
 Wed 18th Ed Byrne 8pm  
 Thurs 19th David Starkey 7.30pm  
 Fri 20th Rolling Stones Story 7.30pm  
 Sat 21st Mark Thompson Science Show 11am & 2pm  
 Sun 22nd An Evening with Eric and Ern 7.30pm  
 Thurs 26th London Klezmer Quartet 7.30pm  
 Fri 27th Take That Experience 7.30pm  
 Sat 28th Roy Chubby Brown 7.30pm

## OCTOBER

Wed 2nd Islands in the Stream 7.30pm  
 Thurs 3rd Psychic Sally 7.30pm  
 Fri 4th The Very Hungry Caterpillar 1.30 & 4pm  
 Sat 5th The Very Hungry Caterpillar 10.30am & 1.30pm  
 Sun 6th Frankies Guys 7.30pm  
 Fri 11th Me and the Girls 7.30pm  
 Sat 12th Me & the Girls 2.30 & 7.30pm  
 Sun 20th One Night in Dublin 7.30pm  
 Wed 23rd Paul Zerdin 7.30pm  
 Thurs 24th Tommy The Album 7.30pm  
 Fri 25th Griff Rhys Jones 7.30pm  
 Sat 26th Vienna Ballet The Nutcracker 2pm & 5pm  
 Mon 28th Greg Minnaar 7.30pm  
 Wed 30th Dr Dolittle 1.30pm  
 Thurs 31st Faith 7.30pm





# The NAGLER SIMMONS ROTARY FIVE FIELDS FUN RUN - 6 MAY



The 12th Radlett Rotary Fun Run took place once again on Bank Holiday Monday, 6 May, at Tabard Rugby Club. As in previous years there were two races (1.5 km and 5 km), again generously sponsored by local chartered accountants Nagler Simmons.

The weather was fine and not too hot, and numbers this year were up on last year – 118 for the 1.5 km event and 221 for the 5 km. In addition to the runners there was a great crowd of spectators to cheer the runners on and refreshments were available from the Rugby Club. All participants and spectators had a most enjoyable and festive Bank Holiday morning. The Run is now well established as a popular annual Community event. Over £4000 was raised to be shared between Rotary charities and the associated charity, Hertsmere Mencap. The sponsorship received from Nagler Simmons covers all our costs, so all of the money raised will find its way to charity.

There isn't enough space here for all the results, but the first past the post in the 1.5 km event was Mylo Neale in 5 minutes and 33 seconds and the first girl was Jessica Bagon in 6 minutes and 52 seconds. The 5 km event was probably a few hundred metres short, and the fastest on the day was Tony Mann in a blistering 16 minutes and 58 seconds closely followed by Stephen Hesty in 17 minutes and 5 seconds. The first woman was Kat Alpe in 18 minutes and 40 seconds. The under 12 girls trophy was won by Issy Brockie and the under 16's by Lilly O'Dell and the corresponding boys trophies by Oscar Walsh and Reece Freeman. The team trophy was won by team BMCA, consisting of Ben Kelly, Mackenie Pullen, Conrad Holland and Andrew Rogers.

Full results have been posted onto our sponsor's website found at [www.naglersimmons.co.uk](http://www.naglersimmons.co.uk). Photos of the event are also accessible from the same site.

Thanks are due to Tabard Rugby Club for hosting the event, to Aldenham Parish Council for their support, and to all those that helped with the event. Thanks also to the Mayor of Hertsmere, Councillor Brenda Batten and to Councillor Viv Charrett, chair of Aldenham Parish Council for their help in presenting the medals and trophies.

And do please make a note in your diaries for next year's event. Same time and place, on Bank Holiday Monday, 4 May 2020.



## News of the Radlett and District Museum

The Board of Trustees has submitted a planning application to Hertsmere Borough Council (HBC) to erect a building at the bottom of the garden behind the Village Institute. HBC aims for a determination date of 19 June. If permission is granted, work will start as soon as possible thereafter and it is hoped to hold a Grand Opening in the autumn. The following graphic, which was included in the planning application, illustrates the proposed building and its position in the garden.



*Indicative view of the proposed Radlett & District Museum*

In the meantime, we will continue, with the help of a number of volunteers, to catalogue and digitise our extensive archives, which is a huge task!

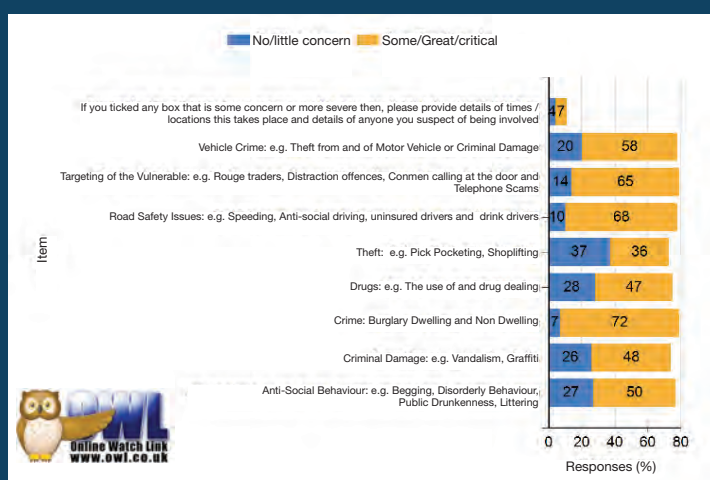
Our Chairman, Stuart Nagler, will lead two more of his popular "Historic Watling Street" walks starting at 10.00 on Sundays 30 June and 21 July. The cost (a donation to RADM) will be £5 per person. Please register your interest with Stuart at [r.nagler@btinternet.com](mailto:r.nagler@btinternet.com).

We have recently published a newsletter giving further details of achievements to date and plans for the future. If you would like a copy, and/or if you would like to become a volunteer, please contact Chris Wilkins at [chrisandrosalind@hotmail.com](mailto:chrisandrosalind@hotmail.com).

## The Radlett Policing Team



In the month of April we asked our Owl members about their concerns in the Aldenham area. The returned figures are as follows:



This survey was the first one that has been carried out in the area, although a small number of persons responded to the questions it gives us a basis on which to build where we target local policing resources for the future.

If you have any questions please email the SNT team. We advise all residents of Radlett and its areas to sign up to owl! Email [SNBusheyandRadlett@Herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:SNBusheyandRadlett@Herts.pnn.police.uk) for more information on Owl or security measure information.

We send details of events to Neighbourhood Watch members via the OWL messaging system, We also use to send emails to residents about local crimes and relevant crime prevention advice.

Please visit [www.owl.co.uk](http://www.owl.co.uk) to sign up to this free service.

If you have any local policing issues you would like to discuss, please contact the Safer Neighbourhood Team by email at [sntbusheyandradlett@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:sntbusheyandradlett@herts.pnn.police.uk) or via the police non-emergency number 101. If you see a crime in progress, call 999 immediately.

**PCSO Tim Conway.**

## Going on holiday

There are ways to give your home the 'lived in' look when it's unoccupied, so that any passing would-be thieves aren't tempted:

- Close and lock all windows, doors and outbuildings.
- Don't publish your absence on the Internet. Status updates, comments and photos can all give away the fact that your home is empty.
- Use timer switches for lamps so that they turn on as it gets dark in the evenings. You could also use a timer switch for a radio (always follow manufacturer's instructions).
- Ask your neighbour to put your rubbish or recycling bins back if they're being collected whilst you're away – if they're left out after collection day it could indicate to a passing thief that your house is unoccupied. Be a good neighbour and do the same for them.
- If you aren't leaving your car at home, ask a neighbour/friend to park their car on your drive.
- Don't forget to cancel deliveries of milk, newspapers etc.
- Consider moving enticing items, such as laptops and mobile devices, so that they are out of sight.
- You could store valuables in your loft when you go away.
- If you are away for a longer period of time in the summer months, ask your neighbour to cut your grass. This helps to show that the house may be occupied.
- You could also ask someone you trust to help give your home the lived-in look by opening and drawing the curtains, taking in any free newspapers and moving your mail away from the letterbox.
- All these tips can help to give your home the 'lived-in' look.



# What sort of gardener are you?

Do you enjoy growing your own plants? Would you like to be able to buy garden materials at competitive prices? Do you love flowers or are you more of a vegetable person? Are you interested to learn more about gardening techniques? Perhaps you want to encourage your children to become interested in gardening? Are you keen to show your prize exhibits, or do you prefer to sit back and enjoy the beauty of gardens? If you are any of these, the Radlett Horticultural Society is for you!

Our Society was formed in 1903. Over 600 members across Aldenham parish and beyond receive our Yearbook, biannual magazine, have access to our Store, several talks and day trips throughout the year, holidays, spring plant sale and Autumn show.

The Store on Scrubbits Park Road opens Sundays 10-12 noon February to November, selling fertilisers, pesticides, composts, stakes, bird food and sundries at competitive prices, and tools are available for hire. The Store is a venue for Society notices, members can book for day trips, and gardening advice is available.

Talks are held in Vision Hall at Christ Church, Watling Street - next up is on 31 July "Skulduggery in the Shrubbery". Entry is £2 and non members are welcome.

The next Day trip is to Beth Chatto Gardens & Green Island Gardens on 8 August. Members enjoy visits to several gardens on our annual May holiday, and this year an additional holiday in September. A highlight of the year is our Garden Walkabout in July when local householders open up their private gardens for members to admire!

Early May sees the spring plant sale - members grow & donate plants, shrubs and vegetables and record numbers of satisfied customers! The sale supports our Autumn Show at Vision Hall, on Saturday 7 September. Members can enter flower, vegetable, domestic, photographic and children's sections, and the Show is open for non member visitors with delicious teas available.

Visit our website [radletthortsoc.co.uk](http://radletthortsoc.co.uk) and posters on parish council noticeboards in Radlett, Battlers Green, Aldenham & Letchmore Heath, the Store, Library, Battlers Green Farm & Radlett train station.

How can I join? It's easy! Family Membership costs just £2 per year in Aldenham parish. Forms are available at the Store, at events or direct from membership secretary Rachel Pearce by emailing [membership@radletthortsoc.co.uk](mailto:membership@radletthortsoc.co.uk).





# Fir Spring Wood – Phillimore Recreation Ground



Fir Spring Wood is small-scale peri-urban woodland situated within Phillimore Recreation Ground, its boundaries being the main field of Phillimore Rec and the gardens of the properties along The Pathway. Like many small woodlands Fir Spring Wood sports, a number of steep banks. While adding to the topography of the woodland there is a constant danger of soil erosion and the exposure of tree roots. It has many pathways through it which have been formed through constant use, there is no recognised pathway.

In the past there was a pond that was formed, probably from a natural spring, hence the name, but this is not so present now. There is a wooden bench just inside the perimeter, and various fallen logs that have either broken off trees or when tree works were carried out previously they have been left to rot and sustain the local bug life.

Since 2015 Aldenhams Parish Council has been undertaking a review of all land it owns or leases. This has led to the introduction of the 'Open Spaces Strategy' which aims to give an identity and purpose to each area enabling the Council to plan for its future, both in terms of finances, but also in consultation with parishioners and users to ensure sustainability of its land.

As part of its 'Open Spaces Strategy' Aldenhams Parish Council (APC) asked Urban Forestry to draw up a woodland management plan for Fir Spring Wood. APC have already had a similar plan drawn up by another contractor on Scrubbits Wood. Both of these plans are to ensure that the areas continue to add to the eco system in Radlett and provide usable green space in the area.

Urban Forestry's first impressions of Fir Spring Wood were good. Despite an intrinsically high level of soil compaction caused by intensive public footfall, the trees were in a generally good condition. They added that, in their opinion, Fir Spring Wood is an important and valuable public amenity and correspondingly well used by the local population.

The management plan noted the presence in the wood of English oak, Hornbeam, Wych Elm, Common Ash, Beech and mountain ash seedlings and saplings were in evidence, Gean (wild cherry) Silver Birch, Hazel Elder, Sallow and English Yew Holly, Sycamores, Norway Maple trees that were planted many years ago around the sports field. The plan commented that "Norway maple casts a dense shade

and will disrupt this woodland in the longer term" as well as Cherry Laurel which has invaded the other end of Fir Spring Wood.

Apart from the single English oak pollard on the woodland perimeter there are no trees in the woodland much more than 150 years old, although that does not mean woodland was not on this site prior to that.

This report noted that there were two areas that needed addressing

- The compaction of the soil due to the fact that visitors walked all over the wood. Whilst this was a plus point for visitors, this could lead to saplings that were being grown were trampled on before they were established. This could lead to there being insufficient trees to replace those approaching the end of their life cycle.
- The invasive species such as Norway Maple and Cherry Laurel were establishing themselves in certain parts of the wood. This could lead to the loss of local species such as Hornbeam and Oak.

The report divided the wood into six compartments as shown below. The action plan drawn up by the contractor was taken over ten years in order to ensure that there was a gradual rather than any dramatic change which may affect the woods, both from a user's perspective and access.

This management plan was adopted by the APC in September 2018.

The first year works are to remove all invasive species in compartments 1, 2 & 3. This is the removal of the Norway Maple and Cherry Laurel. The debris from the removed trees will be used to block off some of the entrances, particularly from the old grass tennis courts on Phillimore Rec. The council asks that you respect this action as the land that will not be trampled on will be planted in due course with trees that will then have the protection and hopefully grow.

This will probably happen in the Autumn is quite an undertaking that will be carried out by approved contractors who are known to APC.

Copies of the management plan are available at the Parish Council offices and will soon be on line at [www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk](http://www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk).







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## 100 Years of the WI in Hertfordshire Exhibition of Photographs

Come and see a celebration of the Women's Institute in Hertfordshire. 100 years are captured in photographs from its beginnings in 1919 to the present day. The exhibition will be on display in the Apthorp Gallery, upstairs in the Radlett Centre for the whole of July. Take a look, you might recognise a face or two!

The W.I. has always stood for more than just jam and Jerusalem. In fact its original core values of education, friendship, community and learning new skills are as relevant to women today as they have ever been.

The W.I. has supported major campaigns throughout its history and is currently championing Climate Change, Plastics in Our Seas and Mental Health.

Your local branch, Aldenham WI, meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month and have demonstrations and discussions on a broad spectrum of topics including informative talks by the likes of local historians and medical professionals, visits from the fire brigade and we recently even learned how to make cocktails.

We also have regular craft groups, go on organised walks, visit historical sites and Christmas markets and have frequent social events.

For more information on your local W.I. please contact **Aldenham.wi1920@gmail.com** or **follow us on Facebook**

The Aldenham Women's Institute welcomes new members and those just wanting to visit. Ladies can come and learn new crafts, meet new friends, attend county events, campaign for local issues or WI resolutions and take part in a wide variety of activities. Announcements about activities available are made at our meetings and can be found in our Federation Newsletter, which contains details of forthcoming events. This is available to members by annual subscription. We also pay for our membership annually which entitles us to a WI Life Magazine that tells us about things that are going on countrywide.

Our Meetings are always held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7.30pm until 10pm. They take place at the Aldenham Preparatory School, Aldenham Road, Elstree, WD6 3AJ. We have a different activity or speaker every month. There is a raffle, second hand bookstall, refreshments at a small cost and plenty of time to socialise.

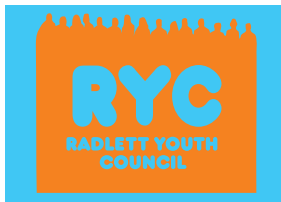
The planned activities and speakers are:-

July	-	Cook in History
August	-	Introduction to Gemstones
September	-	Sports Week

*If you are interested or require further information please contact Diana Mitchelmore on **01923 251436**.*







The Radlett Youth Council has had a very busy and successful 2018. Main events included the 'Sportsfest' at Phillimore Recreation Ground, in line with Hertfordshire's participation in the countrywide campaign 2018 – *The Year of Physical Activity* (very successful event supported by many local sports clubs and groups) and our two stalls at the Winter Fair, 25th November, in the Radlett Centre, both decorating biscuits and glitter tattoos, continuing to raise funds for Radlett Lodge School. We handed out questionnaires in the foyer with almost

100 responses gathered.

RYC is delighted to announce we managed to raise £378.55 in total for Radlett Lodge School and are hoping to arrange a formal cheque presentation. Discussions for the 2020 charity are underway.

The Co-Chairs, Sam Kramer and Leah Valins were able to participate in the Remembrance Day events - the morning service by the memorial (reading out some of the names of local fallen soldiers laying a wreath) and during the beacon lighting in the evening (reading out a poem on behalf of the youth of Radlett, pledging to never forget the atrocities).

Having lost a longstanding group of dedicated year 13s over the summer, RYC is delighted that they continue to gain new members, recently.

We are excited for our plans for 2019-2020, including preliminary thoughts about a possible scavenger hunt, film showings or a group cycle ride.

Finally, as always, RYC wish to extend thanks to the main Council who continue to support our endeavours.

Credits to Sam Kramer and Leah Valins (Co-chairs of RYC)



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## Out and About with Oliver Dowden MP Watling Street, Radlett

It was a real pleasure as always to visit Radlett as part of the Government's campaign to support local small businesses.

I bought some lovely flowers from Jennylou Florists for Mrs Dowden, and I enjoyed the chance to talk with the owners and staff from Manor Pharmacy and Silvermans Butchers.

It was very helpful to listen to their concerns about the challenges they're facing. This is vital in helping me better represent them and the village in Parliament.

Local high streets like Radlett are at the heart of our community. I grew up around here and have seen Radlett's high street change significantly over the years, with many smaller independent traders disappearing.

As high streets cope with increased competition from online retailers and changing shopping habits it is so important people continue to use the valuable unique services shops provide.

The Government must also make sure we level the playing field with online companies, which is why I am pleased we have delivered a range of measures to boost high streets, including business rates cuts and a £675 million redevelopment fund. This is something I have pushed for constantly with my ministerial colleagues and will continue to do so.

I was joined for my visits by parish councillors Viv Charrett and Estelle Samuelson and look forward to popping in again soon!

*Oliver Dowden*





# If you are pregnant or a parent/carer of a child under 19 your local family centre would love to meet you.

## What happens at a family centre?

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## Why should you register your family?

- By registering with a family centre you and your child/children can have fun, meet new people and learn together through activities.
- If you need help and support, the family centre will try and give you what you need.
- To give you the opportunity to be involved in all aspects of the family centre and help shape the services on offer.

For more information and to register visit  
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Monday:	8am - 4pm
Tuesday:	Closed
Wednesday:	Closed
Thursday:	8am - 4 pm
Friday:	8am - 4pm
Saturday:	9am - 5pm
Sunday:	9am - 5pm

We're open all bank holidays except for Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

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Email:  
SNTBusheyandRadlett@herts.pnn.police.uk  
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## NHS

### Do you qualify for transport to your NHS appointment?

Patients normally make their own way to NHS appointments. Transport may be available to you depending on:

- Your medical condition
- Your mobility
- Your support needs.

To find out if you qualify call  
**0300 303 2101**

Please have your NHS number to hand when you call.  
You can find this on your appointment letters.

## CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU

Sessions are held every Tuesday from 10am to 1pm on First Floor, The Radlett Centre. Sessions operate on a 'drop-in' basis. For telephone advice please phone our Hertfordshire Adviceline on **03444 111 444**.

**citizens advice**



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10:00 - 12:00pm	13 <sup>th</sup> April 2019
10:00 - 12:00pm	01 <sup>st</sup> June 2019

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