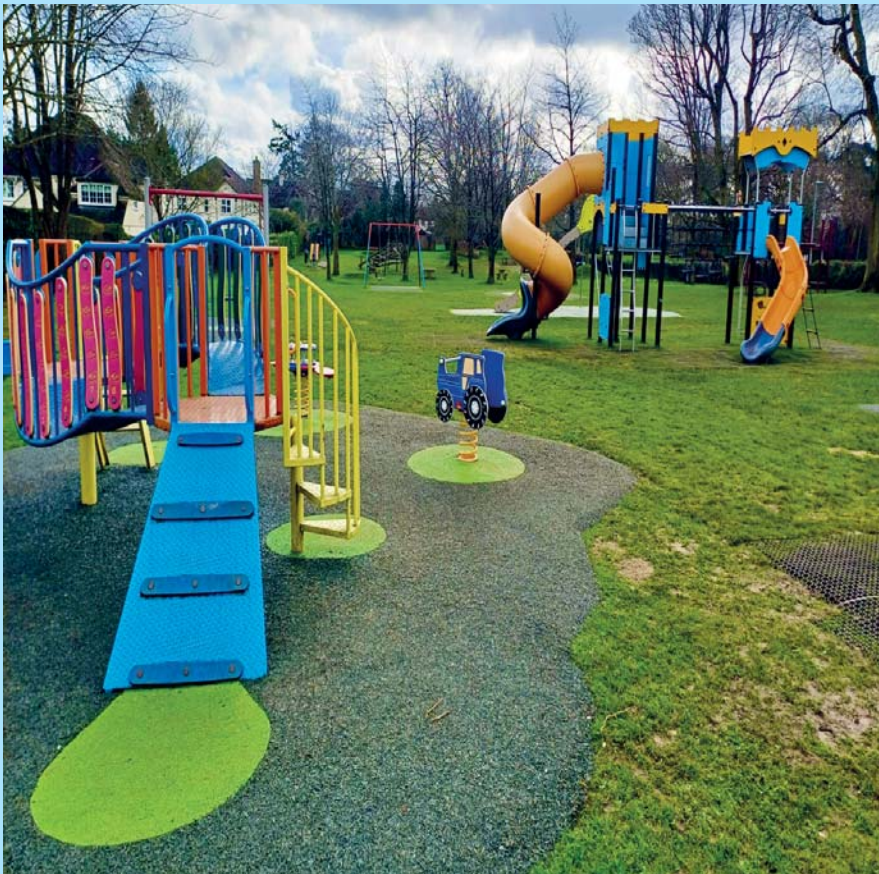




Around Radlett

Spring / Summer 2024

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Chairman's Message

Welcome to the spring edition of Around Radlett. Aldenham Parish Council (APC) has had another busy winter, organising the Winter Fair, completing the works on the children's playground at Phillimore Recreation Ground (the rec), and making significant progress with the proposed café at the rec. The building of the café is due to start very soon. Hopefully, by our next edition, we will be close to completion!

APC has also set its budget for the upcoming financial year, and more details about how we spend the precept can be found in this edition at page 4.

Several major expenses for the council in recent years have been fighting speculative planning applications, such as the Solar Farm, Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), and the land on Shenley Hill. There is also the possibility of an application being made by St Albans Council to build 274 houses on land it owns in St Stephen's Ward at the Watling Street end of Harper Lane, just over the bridge. We will be making suitable representations if this gets to the application stage.

I am delighted that in the Shenley Hill inquiry, where the developer appealed against the initial refusal of their application, the Planning Inspector agreed with APC and Hertsmere Borough Council and dismissed the appeal. It was heartening to see in the Inspector's comments a recognition that while this site was comparatively small and therefore the loss of Green Belt minimal, this development, if granted, would have 'nibbled away' at the Green Belt, and that such reductions can be just as damaging as larger developments, in the long term.

Events organised since our last issue include our annual Winter Fair and Christmas lights switch-on, which was, as always, a popular event. There was a wonderful selection of stalls, rides, and Santa's grotto, which had a queue for the entire event with lots of children eager to meet our VIP! We had a great turnout, especially for the light switch-on (with a minor hiccup), with our competition winner doing the

honours, fantastically counted down by local legend, the delightful Dame Dotty, who has also graced us with an interview on page 10.

At the time of writing, APC is planning to hold a celebration of the new playground during Easter, delayed from the February half term due to the yellow weather warning on the day. The weather being a persistent issue with this project, causing us to delay reopening the playground in January, as the heavy and persistent rain combined with the machinery used during the works left the ground in a dangerous condition, and we had to wait for the playground to pass a safety inspection. We do apologise for this delay – we try to time things to minimise disruption but the weather is one thing we cannot control!

Looking to upcoming events, in previous years APC has hosted two days of free summer fun and activities at the rec for our younger residents. As the café building works will have begun, this will not be possible this year, but APC is working with Rev Oliver Blease to organise an activity at Christ Church, as we know how everyone has always enjoyed and appreciated these events. Look out for further details on our website, social media, and notice boards. Our thanks to Christ Church for being so welcoming and working with us to make this possible.

To help residents learn more about what APC does on a more regular basis, I launched a Chairman's Blog last summer that comes out monthly. You will find it on our noticeboards, website, and social media pages, as well as in community centres such as local churches and synagogues. If you are interested in receiving a copy digitally, please contact the office at admincomms@aldenham-pc.gov.uk.

As always, I would like to thank all APC staff for their hard work, without whom the smooth running of the Council and events could not happen.



Cllr Helen Jones
Chair of the Council

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Vacancy

The above information is correct at the time of printing this magazine.
 To view our Annual Reports 23/24 please check our website, or you can pick up a hard copy from our office.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

You are invited to the Annual Parish Meeting to be held at 8pm on Monday 13 May in the Douglas Hicks Room of the Radlett Centre. All residents are welcome. To improve accessibility, there will be the opportunity to join online. For more details please contact Peter Evans – manager@aldenham-pc.gov.uk
 The annual reports can be accessed online via www.aldenham-pc.gov.uk.
 Please do let us know if you need a hard copy.

For Meeting details and time please see the website

Forthcoming Committee Meetings April 2024 – Nov 2024

April	June	23th – Full Council	October
2nd – Planning	3rd – Planning		7th – Planning
8th – Full Council	10th – F & G P	August	14th – F & G P
15th – Planning	17th – Planning	5th – Planning	21st – Planning
May	24th – Full Council	19th – Planning	28th – Full Council
7th – Planning	July	September	November
13th – AGM	1st – Planning	2nd – Planning	4th – Planning
20th – Planning	8th – F & G P	16th – Planning	18th – Planning
28th – Council & Annual Meeting	15th – Planning	23rd – Full Council	25th – Full Council

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Your local MP Oliver Dowden holds regular surgeries around the constituency. If you would like to arrange an appointment then please email: oliver@oliverdowden.com



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Precept perspective

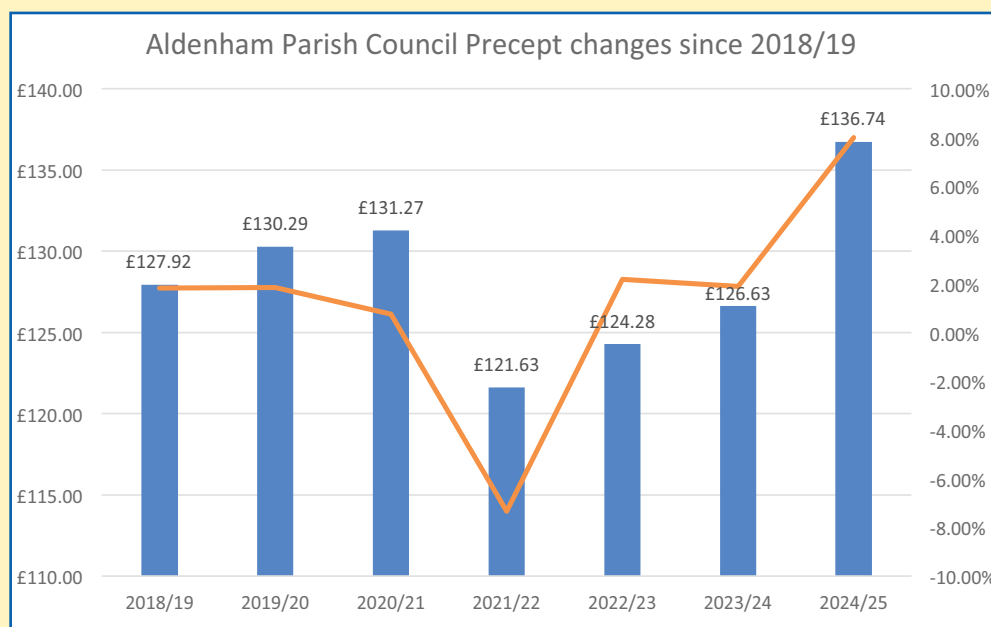
The major work that the Council has been working on for the last several months is the budget for 2024/25. This is something that we have to consider very carefully to ensure Aldenham Parish Council (APC) continues to deliver excellent service for the best value.

In 2020, at the height of Covid and when things looked very uncertain, APC took a radical look at our budget and the precept request we made to Hertsmere Borough Council (HBC), who collect it on our behalf. We slashed the 2021/22 budget by £49,679 and reduced the precept by 7.35%. We were able to do this thanks to many years of careful financial decisions that had allowed us to create reserves that could offset these costs. Whilst keeping an eye on our reserves, the Council was able to make similar decisions for 2022/23 and 2023/24, putting up the budget by the smallest amount possible.

Unfortunately, this is no longer sustainable due to APC's decision to be added as a Rule 6 party at the planning appeals against the Solar Farm and the land on Shenley Hill, and the subsequent legal costs in opposing the appeals. These two actions have reduced the Council's reserves by £160,000. APC felt these were important battles to fight, as voiced by the thousands of objections each received. The Green Belt surrounding our villages is too precious not to fight to protect, and once gone, will be lost forever.

However, this has inevitably come at a cost. The Council's reserves now stand at a worryingly low level, barely adequate to run the council's day-to-day operations for three months. APC is the caretaker for 165 acres of land, managing more than 1500 trees, maintaining and improving two parks, as well as multiple woods and open spaces across the parish. In addition, APC has organised several free community events over recent years, including events for children at Phillimore Recreation Ground, the Winter Fair at the Radlett Centre, the Remembrance Day safety provisions, as well as hosting one-off events such as the Jubilee and Coronation celebrations. The Council also provides the winter lights each year, and gives an annual community grant to the Radlett Centre of £120,000 to ensure the survival of this excellent local entertainment and community services resource.

To allow APC to rebuild the necessary reserves that have in the past allowed it to deal with contingencies and speculative planning applications, while also continuing its day-to-day operations, an increase in our precept is unavoidable. APC has done all that it can to keep the amount as low as possible for 2024/25. APC will be requesting to raise the precept by 7.98%, an additional £10 per household per year. This will take the precept to just above the 2020/21 precept, as this graph shows:



As part of the budget preparations this year, we are preparing a handout to show how your money will be spent, including a list of the planned future events in the parish. We hope to be able to share that with you before the end of the financial year in March and after the Council has considered the proposed budget for 2024/25.

Footnote:

What is the precept?

Parish councils are funded through a precept, which is an amount of money calculated as part of the local council tax. These funds are budgeted and allocated to improve facilities and services within the community.



Café installation in Phillimore Recreation Ground - The contract to build has been signed

In the last edition of Around Radlett, Aldenham Parish Council (APC) announced that it had appointed the café operator, Alex Black. It also introduced the design team for the next phase of the project ahead of the start to build the café.

The design and project teams worked on producing a tender that would be sent to any company interested in the café build. The tender document was signed off by APC at its meeting on 27 November 2023. The project package to build the café at Phillimore Rec was advertised on APC's website and the Government Contracts Finder. There were many enquiries, with seven companies that met the initial criteria set by the design team and APC representatives, being invited to tender.

There followed a period during which all the tender bids were scrutinised and requests were made for clarifications in the tender documents. Of the seven, four were invited to an interview. All four tenders and interviews were evaluated by the whole working party and scored according to a pre-agreed scoring mechanism.

At the APC meetings on 19 & 26 February 2024, APC received extensive feedback from the project manager and APC councillors on the working party and, having considered all the facts before them, appointed LifeBuild Solutions Ltd to build the café in line with the planning permission granted in 2022.

LifeBuild is based in High Wycombe and has been involved in similar projects with other councils, including Didcot Town Council (Sports Pavilion), and Shinfield Parish Council (Community Hub), as well as work at Manor Lodge School in Radlett.

There are still some finer details to finish off but it is anticipated that work will commence in mid-May, and it is anticipated the café will be ready in approximately 24 weeks.

The directors of LifeBuild stated that "Life Build Solutions is delighted to be given the opportunity to become Aldenham Parish Council's partner for the delivery of the café project. The contract represents an excellent fit with our business model in terms of its geographical location, scale and nature. We have sufficient capacity to undertake the project".



New playground opens at Phillimore Recreation Ground

Aldenham Parish Council (APC) was delighted to be able to open the new inclusive and safer children's playground at Phillimore Recreation Ground (the rec) to all at the end of January. This revamped play area now boasts separate play areas tailored to different age groups, catering to toddlers, juniors, and older children. Through a thoughtful redesign, existing equipment was strategically relocated, and fresh additions were introduced.

Among the highlights for younger children is a charming new playhouse designed to ignite imaginative and developmental play, not to mention a small trampoline for added fun. Juniors now have access to an impressive two-tower castle multi-play unit featuring thrilling elements like a helter-skelter slide and curved slide, promising more excitement and adventure. Notably, the inclusion of a flush wheelchair-accessible roundabout and an inclusive bucket swing ensures that children of all abilities can join in the fun. For the older age group, an exhilarating 'ninja warrior' style assault course has been incorporated, offering challenging and engaging activities.

In line with safety standards, outdated equipment that had reached the end of its lifespan was removed, while vibrant safety surfacing has been installed beneath most pieces of equipment, complemented by new grass matting. Throughout the planning process, APC remained committed to accessibility and preserving the park's

natural beauty, ensuring it remains a cherished space for the entire community and visitors for years to come.

While the playground was officially opened by APC's Chair, Cllr Helen Jones, at the end of January, APC felt it was important to celebrate the occasion with a 'grand opening' event during the February half-term. Unfortunately, due to the exceptionally bad weather, this event had to be postponed until April, when hopefully the sun will be shining!



Peter Evans, Council Manager, David Jenkins, Open Spaces Team Leader and Chair, Cllr Helen Jones.

With the completion of the renovation works, APC now aims to establish pathways between the equipment to ensure the play area remains easily accessible to all.

Johanna Shearman Communications Officer

What's On...

Remember to check our website for all up-to-date events & meetings.

APRIL

Saturday 27 April

Aldenham War Memorial Hall Events, Letchmore Heath – Race Night Fun, 7:30pm-10:30pm, £30. Join us for dinner (inc in the ticket price) and have a flutter. Bar will be open to purchase drinks. ALL profits go to new windows for the hall. Please contact; aldenhamhallevents@gmail.com.

MAY

Monday 6 May

Nagler Simmons Radlett Rotary Fun Run – Our annual fun run event, 10:00am. As well as inflatables for the children, there will also be a jazz band. Food and drink will be available from 9am. For more information visit www.radlettrotaryclub.com/funrun.

JUNE

Saturday 1 June

Summer Fete on The Green - Come and enjoy a traditional village fete - Cake Baking Contest, Tombola, Lucky Dip and lots more. Please contact; aldenhamhallevents@gmail.com for more details.

JULY

Saturday 20 July

Bhaktivedanta Manor - Big Day Out (with Holi the Festival of Colours) 11:00am – 4:00pm.

AUGUST

Sunday 25 August & Monday 26 August

Bhaktivedanta Manor - Janmashtami, 11:00am – late

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 15 September

Radlett & District Museum Sponsored Walk, Aldenham Country Park at 2:30pm.

OCTOBER

Tuesday 15 – Saturday 19 October

RMTC presents Footloose live at the Radlett Centre, 2:30pm & 7:45pm. Tickets: £22 Adults, £18 Concession on Tuesday night and Saturday Matinee. Visit www.RMTC.org.uk.



Computers and a Cuppa sessions, at The Radlett Centre, Monday's 10:30am-12:30pm. Confused by computers? Complimentary drop-in sessions for help using smart phones, tablets, and laptops.

Creative Community Café at Phillimore Community Centre, Tuesday's 12:00 - 4:00pm.

Day Trippers, Wednesdays from around 9:00am - 2:00pm, collection from your front door to London Colney Shopping Park. Accessible door-to-store service for people who have difficulties using public transport. Return fare costs £6, with £2 for accompanying carers.

Any questions email help@communities1st.org.uk or call 01727 649930.

Join APC's Open Spaces Team

30 May, 10am

Hanging Basket Workshop at Phillimore Rec

Let us help you achieve your gardening goals this year!

Come along and watch how our Open Spaces Team create the beautiful hanging baskets you see along Radlett High Street.

Giving you tips and tricks along the way!

To book a space please call 01923 856433.



Radlett u3a meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 10:00am at the Metropolitan Sports Centre, Aldenham Rd, Bushey WD23 2TR.

We welcome anyone who is retired and living in the Radlett/Shenley/Aldenham area.

Please contact chairman@radlettu3a.org.uk for any information or look at our website

What's on around Radlett for under 5's

Monday

9:30am-11am
Under 3s Group, Shenley, St Martin's Church, WD7 9DU - 01707 642193 (voluntary donation)

Tuesday

9am-11am
Toddler Tuesdays - St John's Church, Radlett. Stay and play group for 0-4 years £2 one child, £1 additional child/ren. Up to 20 children, all welcome.

10am
Jolly Jodie Baby & Toddler @ Misuenos Kids, Battlers Green Farm. To book visit jollyjodie.co.uk

9:30am-11am (various classes)
Monkey Music, Radlett Village Institute. 9:30am Jiggerty Jig (2&3 year olds), 10:15am Rock n Roll Babies (3-12 months) & 11am Heigh Ho (1 year old). To book visit monkeymusic.co.uk

11am-11:30am
Baby Rhyme Time - Radlett Library (free - voluntary donation)

Wednesday

9:45-11:15am (various classes)
Monkey Music, Misuenos Kids, Battlers Green. See above website for details.

Friday

10am
Jo Jingles, Christchurch Hall, Watling St - 01923 445221 - jojingles.co.uk

2pm
Storytime, Radlett Library (free - voluntary donation)



Planning update on threats to our Green Belt

Shenley Hill

Aldenhams Parish Council (APC) is delighted to report the success of the Shenley Hill Appeal! The Inspector recognised that the application did not have 'very special circumstances' that would justify the loss of Green Belt. The Inspector rejected the developer's arguments that due to the relatively small size of the site, the impact would be minimal. The Inspector recognised that allowing developments on this basis would lead to a nibbling away of the Green Belt, which is just as harmful in the long term. We had hoped this would send a clear message to developers that the Green Belt around Aldenhams parish is not up for grabs. However, since writing this, we have now learnt the developers will be appealing the decision.

Solar Farm

We are still awaiting the decision on the Solar Farm on 320 acres of Green Belt land surrounding Hillfield Farm and land north of Butterfly Lane. APC objected strenuously to this application, as it would lead to the loss of a large area of Green Belt land, enclose footpaths, and remove the open aspect of the fields. Hertsmere Borough Council rejected the application but the developer appealed, and so a planning inquiry was held in October and November of 2022.

On 6 October 2022, APC was informed that the Secretary of State would determine the appeal instead of the Inspector. This means that instead of making the decision, the Inspector has prepared a report and recommendation, which will be forwarded to the Secretary of State. The reason is that the appeal involves proposals of major significance for the delivery of the Government's climate change programme and energy policies and proposals for significant developments in the Green Belt. A deadline for this decision was set for 9 October 2023.

On 2 October 2023, APC was informed that the Secretary of State needed further time to consider the appeal and a decision will be issued on or before 7 December 2023. On 17 January 2024, APC was informed that due to the new National Planning Policy Framework, the decision had once again been delayed until 8 April 2024 which means the decision had not been made before this edition went to print. Please see APC's website and notice boards as we will continue to update you all once a decision is reached.

Battery Energy Storage System

The planning application for a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in Letchmore Heath was submitted on 23 October 2023, reference 23/1508/OUT. This would be for 400 storage units, making it the largest in the world. The risk, particularly in the case of fire, cannot be denied. The proximity of this site to so many schools, serving over 3000 children, makes this a particularly unsuitable location. The roads that surround the site compound are very narrow, and emergency services would have great difficulty responding in case of an incident.

The application has received 2628 objections from members of the public, as well as numerous statutory consultees, including APC. At the time of writing no decision had been made, but APC will update the public as soon as more information is available.

Harper Lane residential development by St Albans City and District Council

APC has been made aware of a prospective application for a residential development of 274 houses, together with a 50-bed nursing home in this most congested of areas, east of the railway line and south of Harperbury Lane; the full details have not yet been provided. (In contrast, the housing development on the site of the old Harperbury Hospital was for 206 homes, and many residents will remember intimately the pains Radlett went through when it was being constructed, not to mention the ongoing detrimental effects of the additional traffic on the roads, as well as negative impact on local services.)

We will engage with St Albans at the earliest opportunity to ask for assurances that it will pay particular attention to traffic plans and movements, local services such as all medical provisions, availability of primary and secondary school places, public transport, safe and comprehensive cycling, and walking routes. The initial consultation talked about vehicles, cycles, and pedestrians travelling to and from the site through new access points around The Heath, Paddock View, The Avenue, and Beech Avenue.

Please keep an eye on the APC website for further information.



Making Radlett more accessible for all

Aldenham Parish Council's Access for All Working Party has now started its third year of addressing the many aspects of our local environment which could and should be more accessible for people of all ages with any level of disability – visible and otherwise.

The working party is comprised of members of the community who are committed to our area becoming a positive example of inclusion and equity. Of course, while progress towards large-scale change, such as the installation of a lift at Radlett station, is slower than we hoped, we can take great pride and encouragement in what has been achieved to date.

This includes the way we plan and communicate and to having a tangible impact on the local environment. We have adapted all communications, booking processes, and print design with access in mind, as well as introducing a variety of new ways people can find support to access information and people that can help (including direct access email addresses, phone numbers, and accessible web tools).

We have also streamlined a new standard approach which includes ample disabled parking, fast passes for those who find queuing an issue, additional seating options, better signage, and more trained staff on hand to extend support and understanding.

As well as changing the approach to existing operations, the working party has also taken steps the support future planning in the form of the commissioned and now complete Access Audit (an independent survey of our local high street conducted by Disability Watford).

In December 2023, we also staged an Autism Training morning in partnership with Radlett Lodge School, a key opportunity to spread awareness, share reliable information, and support parents of children with autism and other SEND needs. This was a wonderful opportunity to show our support for Radlett Lodge School (a National Autistic Society school) share in the work of the working party and hear voices from the community about the challenges and fears they face. This was so successful, in February 2024 we hosted a coffee morning with special guests from professional arena to support and advise gathered parents and carers.

The next step, as we progress into 2024, is to continue to signpost services and information for the community, highlight our work such as our impact on phased works to create a more accessible playground at Phillimore Recreation Ground, and offer more events for carers to gather and find support.

If you are disabled or have a medical condition, are a carer, or have someone in your family living with the challenges of disability or age-related issues such as dementia or want to drive equality in our community for any reason – the Access for All working party would love to hear from you. **Cllr Clare Diskin**, Chair of Access for All Working Party

Past Aldenham Parish Council Chairmen Remembered

In the past few months, Aldenham Parish Council (APC) was sad to learn that two of its former Chairs, Neil Payne and John Howley, had passed away.



Neil Payne

Neil served Aldenham in many ways over a period of nearly 40 years before him and his wife, Linda, moved away from the area. Although active in local politics for all this time, many of you may not be aware of the many ways in which he served the local community. Here is a brief summary of some of his positions:

During 1991-1995, Neil was an Aldenham parish councillor, returning to the council in 2008 after he retired from Hertsmere Borough Council. He also chaired the parish council from 2013 to 2018. Neil became a Hertsmere borough councillor in 1999 and became the council's leader from 2001 to 2006.

Neil was one of the original directors of the Radlett Centre, and was a member of the Board of the Radlett Centre Trust from 1995 to 2018. He was also a valued member of the Platt Foundation for almost 30 years, from 1991 to 2019. APC will always be grateful for Neil's wisdom and fine judgement which he put to good use as Chairman of the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. He stepped down from the group when he moved away, but kept an interest in the plan and was very proud when it was finally adopted in May 2021.



John Howley
OBE QPM

John was elected to APC in 1999 and continued as a parish councillor until May 2015. He was elected Chairman of the Council in 2000, a position he held until 2006. He was also elected as Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee, and at one point was Chairman of all the committees of the council.

He also represented APC on several outside bodies, namely:

- Hertfordshire Assoc of Parish & Town Councils
- Aldenham Country Park
- Hertsmere Standards Board
- Crime Reduction Group

John was instrumental in ensuring that APC's finances were sound, and together with Neil Payne and others, ensured that the council always had a financial plan for the precept it received for the day-to-day management of APC and for future projects, a legacy that is still applied today.

John was also part of the group that improved the children's play area in Phillimore Rec in 2008, as well as the new depot built in 2011 which gave the ground staff and warm and secure place to work, as well as storage for all the equipment.

As a tribute, APC has agreed to replace the bench on the High Street outside Silverman's, which will be dedicated to Neil Payne. In Phillimore Rec, outside the new café, a picnic bench will be installed in recognition of John Howley's service.



Radlett Museum, conveniently situated behind the Radlett Village Institute in Watling Street, has been open for 5 years and we have welcomed a steady stream of visitors, both local and from further afield.

Much of our collection comprises pictures, maps, books, and documents. What's not so obvious is the extent of virtual objects represented by computer files and data, created by the late historian and local resident, Philip Eastburn.

Since the start of 2024, visitors have been impressed by the re-appearance of our improved version of the Radlett Timeline. It now has an expanded section listing significant dates of events in Aldenham, Britain, and the World since the Roman Conquest.



Further developments are imminent, thanks to a CIL grant by Aldenham Parish Council so we can buy two high-quality mini-computers, a 35mm slide scanner, and a touch-screen display. All these items will improve and expand our ability to show off our extensive archive of local pictures and, in due course, our sound library of residents' reminiscences.

If you're about in Radlett, look out for our Historic Building Plaques, six of which are displayed on important buildings of local historical interest. More are planned this year...

Following the successful 'Radlett Murder' display, our new exhibition, provisionally titled '-What's in a Name?-' is being developed by our volunteers. It will explore the origin of the names and places in our area. A further pop-up display will feature the 100th anniversary of Oakway Parade, built in 1924, and the 125th anniversary of Porters Park Golf Club.

We are once again planning to support the Radlett Art Society's annual exhibition on the 8 and 9 of June. The Museum will be open for extended hours on both days. Our next fund-raising event will be the Cream Tea Party on Sunday 7 July at the Vision Hall.

We continue looking to add to our team of volunteers and are keen to hear from anyone with an interest in helping in the Museum- in presenting, cataloguing, or curating local history. We would particularly welcome calls from across the Civil Parish of Aldenham, plus those with Marketing and IT skills. If you would like to help, please let us know by email: info@radlettmuseum.com, or contact any of our Trustees listed on our website: radlettmuseum.com.

Find us at 413A Watling Street, Radlett, WD7 7JG. Museum opening hours are 10:00-12:00 on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

When is a footpath, not a footpath?

That question is posed in the context of the 30+ miles of footpaths around Radlett in the Parish of Aldenham. Not all footpaths are, in effect, created equal – and there are restrictions on the use that can be made of many routes referred to as 'footpaths'.

If the route is definitely a footpath and registered as a Right of Way, then anyone can walk on it. There is no right to ride a bike or a horse (or even to wheel a bike along it) – that would be a civil trespass against the landowner. Anyone trying to take a motor vehicle along a footpath (yes, it has been tried) is committing a criminal offence; that includes motorbikes. Walkers essentially have a 'right of passage' along the footpath and, using a term from some 19th-century cases, can take 'usual accompaniments' with them. That is usually taken to include pushchairs and wheelchairs, not bikes, but inevitably many footpaths are not designed for such use and may be narrow.

Which footpaths are not footpaths? Well, if the route is a 'permissive path' then it exists and can be used through permission from the landowner. It doesn't have legal status and so can be revoked at any time by the landowner – though if the permission is for 'extra rights', such as allowing a footpath to be used as a bridleway, it's only those extra rights that can be withdrawn. The moral is to be extra nice to the route when you are using a permissive path – local examples being many of the paths in Berrygrove Woods and one by Elstree Airfield from A34 past A8 towards A33.

Where bikes and horses come into it is when the footpath is formally designated a 'bridleway'. You can walk or ride your horse (or even drive your flock of sheep!) along the route; you can also cycle along it, though cyclists are supposed to give way to walkers and horse riders (please!). There is no right to use horse-drawn vehicles along a bridleway, or a motor vehicle – the latter is still a criminal offence.

Sometimes you will come across 'Restricted Byways'. These are effectively the same as bridleways though you can use a horse-drawn vehicle. The best local example is A22 (Crab Lane/Commonmeadow Lane) though not for its full length; oddly A53 which connects Shenley Hill and Newberries Avenue via Canons Close is also one. The term 'Green Lane' also gets used to mean a wide and established byway – but it is a colloquial rather than a legal term.

Where cars and motorbikes do get a look in is with 'Byways Open to all Traffic' (BOATs). The vehicle must be taxed and MOT'd, just as for regular road usage, and the driver must have the appropriate licence – this isn't a way of giving someone under 17 driving experience. Drivers should be aware that most BOATs will mainly be used by walkers and cyclists and drive accordingly.

A local BOAT is A79, which runs from opposite Butterfly Lane, along and then across the Tykeswater to end up on Theobald Street. Although BOATs should have an appropriate surface for driving, this one hasn't and has been abused, including by fly-tippers. After a campaign which RSGBA has been well involved with, Herts CC is hopefully bringing in restrictions on its use. We have a wonderful network of paths in our area. There are many miles to explore – but they deserve to be used with care and respect.

John Whiting, Vice-chair, Radlett Society & Green Belt Association

(My thanks to Dawn West, Access Projects Officer at Herts CC for valuable comments; see <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/recycling-waste-and-environment/countryside-access/rights-of-way/rights-of-way.aspx> for the definitive footpaths map.)

Q&A with ~~Marc Kelly~~ Dame Dotty!

Marc Kelly is better known as Radlett's favourite Pantomime Dame, Dame Dotty. He is celebrating 10 years performing in the annual panto for Upstage Productions at The Radlett Centre, and can't wait for number 11, Sleeping Beauty, this December. He was a semi-finalist on Britain's Got Talent with Dame Super group Dame Nation. He is also the principal of Razzamataz Theatre Schools in Radlett. Read on to find out more about him...



Where were you born?

I was born in Nottingham.

Where did you go to school/college/university?

I went to Cumbria Institute of the Arts followed by a Masters degree at Guildford School of Acting.

What 3 words would you use to describe yourself?

Silly, caring, spontaneous.

What's your favourite food/meal?

A Chinese takeaway. Crispy chilli beef, prawn toast and some egg-fried rice.

What's your favourite drink?

Either orange squash or a crisp glass of Sauvignon Blanc.

What's your favourite restaurant?

My favourite restaurant in Radlett is Isot. Their food is amazing and I just love Turkish and Mediterranean cuisine.

What was the 1st panto you saw?

I can't remember which panto it was but I can vividly remember dancing in the aisle with my parents. The panto bug hit at that moment.

In your career how many pantos have you starred in? Which was your favourite one?

Now, let me count, 10 pantos at the Radlett Centre, another seven as Dame and four as comic. If my maths is correct that's 21! I don't feel old enough! My favourite panto is Jack and the Beanstalk. Cloudland, a giant, a talking chicken and a whole lot of silliness. What's not to like?

What's the funniest thing that's happened to you on stage?

That's a hard one; lots of funny things happen in every panto, and each show is different. I once pulled part of the set down, it landed on top of me and my wig fell off. Hands up, who saw it happen?

What's your favourite TV programme?

I love a good comedy, but my all-time favourite is Friends!

What's your favourite movie/play?

It has to be all of the Back to the Future films. I used to watch them with my dad when I was growing up. We can quote them word for word.

Who's your favourite celebrity?

My favourite celebrity is Bonnie Langford. She is brilliant and committed to everything she does. A true British Musical Theatre icon. She should be a Dame too!

What's your favourite song?

The fabulous song, I Am What I Am, from La Cage Aux Folles.

What's your favourite place to visit?

I grew up holidaying in Spain with my parents and it's still one of my favourite places to go. Great weather, amazing food and a few glasses of wine.

Do you have any hobbies?

Anything to do with the theatre. Singing show tunes, seeing musicals, reading plays, you name it!

If you were an animal, what animal would you be?

People have always told me I'm a bit of a meerkat. I think it must be my posture!

If you could have a superpower, what would it be?

To be able to fly! Who wouldn't want to go on holiday whenever they wanted?

What would be at the top of your bucket list?

The top of my bucket list is to perform as Dame Dotty in the West End. I guess I'll have to wait for Gary Willmott to retire.



Marc Kelly

RADLETT YOUTH COUNCIL

Radlett Youth Council



Here at RYC, we are always looking for new recruits. That's why we need you!
If you're aged between 11-18, live in the parish of Aldenham and want to have a say in your local area, come along to one of our meetings where we try and tackle issues young people face today. There's also the opportunity to help at local events. You'll be provided with drinks and snacks, meet new people and have fun along the way!

**Please call Johanna Shearman on 01923 856433
or email admincomms@aldenham-pc.gov.uk**

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Report highlights: Citizens Advice Hertsmere outreach sessions

Citizens Advice Hertsmere (CA) would like to extend huge thanks to Aldenham Parish Council (APC) for its ongoing generous funding, enabling CA to hold an outreach session at the Radlett Centre every Tuesday, 10am-1pm. The past year marked an unprecedented surge in demand for our services, with more than 40% of residents who sought our advice, reaching out to us in moments of crisis, urgently requiring assistance. We gave out more fuel, supermarket, and foodbank vouchers than ever before.

In the period from Jan-Dec 2023, we assisted 266 clients in Aldenham with a total of 1,438 separate issues. The primary concerns encompassed welfare benefits, utilities, and debt management. Additionally, residents sought guidance on employment rights, housing, relationship issues, and legal matters. Notably, there has been an appreciable uptick in the number of individuals grappling with food insecurity, with 6% of residents who contacted us reporting immediate hunger or inability to procure food.

To address these pressing needs, we allocated £6,385 in food provision assistance to 37 vulnerable residents, ensuring they could access nourishing meals and improve their overall well-being. Moreover, the soaring costs of energy posed significant challenges for many families, forcing them to make difficult choices regarding heating and hygiene. We intervened by issuing Emergency Utility Credit Vouchers totalling £1,711 to 11 vulnerable residents facing fuel crises.

Disabled residents faced heightened hardships during this period, with a substantial number struggling to meet day-to-day expenses. We facilitated applications for extra disability benefits for 15 parishioners, with those affected receiving on average of £6,300.

Furthermore, our comprehensive support extended to debt management, with interventions leading to negotiated repayment plans, effectively alleviating financial burdens and providing a pathway to debt freedom within 12 months.

The outreach sessions conducted at the Radlett Centre have proven instrumental in providing accessible assistance for residents, particularly those with mobility limitations or financial constraints preventing travel to our office in Borehamwood. Feedback from residents underscores the positive impact of our services, with 8 out of 10 acknowledging our advice as instrumental in resolving their issues, and 85% affirming an improvement in their lives as a result of our interventions. Moreover, 9 in 10 residents rated their experience with us as good or very good.

In total, the financial outcomes generated for Aldenham residents in 2023 amounted to an impressive £178,086, underscoring the tangible difference made by CA in supporting the local community through times of hardship.

Citizens Advice has a drop-in clinic every Tuesday 10 am-1pm at The Radlett Centre, 1st Floor, 1 Aldenham Avenue, Radlett, WD7 8HL. Alternatively, you can call on 0800 144 8848 or visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk/hertsmere.

Radlett Centre gets new seating

In January this year, we were very fortunate to be able to replace all of our auditorium seating. The previous seating was getting on for twenty years old and was beginning to show signs of wear, and also proving expensive to maintain.

We had the project all ready to go and were then extremely fortunate to receive a large private donation from local businessman John Apthorp, who has always been a great supporter of the Radlett Centre. We then received further funding, a CIL grant of £20,000 from Aldenham Parish Council, which made the project a reality. As ten clear days were needed for the works, the only way that could be accommodated was by clearing a time slot after the pantomime had finished in January.

The Radlett Centre is licensed for 300 seats, and although it isn't possible to increase the number of seats, the technology available now in retractable seating made this a very exciting enhancement.

Along with new seats, fabrics and carpets, the unit is now fully automated so that bringing the seating out, or putting it away, is much quicker and simpler. Since the Radlett Centre opened in 1996, it has gone from strength to strength and is now busier than ever. Bookings of the theatre are currently being taken through to the end of 2026, and in the current year, there are no weekends available at all.

The professional shows are one part of the programme, but there are also many private hires of the building. These include local societies, schools, youth theatres, dance schools, local businesses and charity events. It is also used for blood clinics, voting, charity fairs and Bar and Bat Mitzvahs. For information on any of the shows, please look at www.radlettcentre.co.uk

Greg Dexter, General Manager





Radlett Horticultural Society – The alternative NHS

Stop press! Gardening (otherwise known as the Natural Health Service) is good for you and good for you in so many ways – and it is as cheap as chips, especially as they are so expensive now.

But joking aside the potential benefits of gardening are numerous and even digging is off the menu these days (well almost). It builds strength, improves motor skills, promotes better sleep, reduces stress and can even help lose a few pounds. It can improve self esteem, happiness, vitamin D levels and bring out your nurturing skills. What else in this world gives so many benefits for so little cost.



Now before you say ‘I haven’t got a garden’, everyone in Radlett has access to gardening possibilities. If you live in a flat, you might get a window box but if not, an allotment, available from the Parish Council, is an option.

However, most houses in Radlett have some garden space so even if your yard is maintained by the ‘mow and blow’ brigade you can always have a little corner to yourself. A few pots with some easily maintained annuals are a good start – geraniums are tolerant of erratic watering and the newer varieties of petunias give a dazzling display.

On the veg side, some will grow well in pots and climbing French beans are probably the best thing to start with. They grow easily and even the straggliest of plants seem to produce a good crop.

All you need is a couple of old pots, a bit of compost and a few canes and you are all set. The advantage of pots is that the slugs have a lot of climbing to do. Seeds direct into the soil or ready grown plants – the choice is yours.

And if you don’t fancy hands on gardening, you can always relax a bit looking at other people’s efforts and what better way than joining one of The Radlett Horticultural Society’s day trips. The first trip has been and gone but we are going to Doddington Place and Godington House on 20th June and Chertwell and Great Comp Gardens on 15th August. You need to be a member to sign up, but at £2 a year for the household, it is affordable – just go to our website for details – radlethortsoc.weebly.com.

We also run lots of other events such as the plant sale on 11th May at 2pm, several interesting talks, the Autumn Show and a tea and cake afternoon at Delrow House on 7th July. Details of all these are in our fantastic Yearbook which you will get when you join. You can also join at our store in Scrubbits Park Road between 10 am and noon on the first and third Sunday of each month. We are a friendly bunch – please come along. Happy gardening. *Peter Hordern*

REBS – The Radlett, Elstree, Borehamwood, and Shenley Talking Newspaper

Our FREE Talking Newspaper service is a wonderfully simple, practical, and effective way to help local people who are blind, visually impaired, or are feeling socially isolated. We also offer this service to anyone experiencing reading difficulties eg due to a stroke or cognitive problems.

Every Thursday evening our volunteers record, through a Zoom recording session, half an hour of local news (‘the News section’) plus a further half hour of articles of general interest (‘the Magazine Section’). We try to ensure all the content is fresh, up-to-date, and of real interest.

The recording is copied onto digital memory sticks and mailed to listeners in a special wallet. The listener simply inserts the memory stick in the player and presses play. It is easy to repeat items or skip unwanted material. Having finished listening to the recording, the listener then reverses the label, to show the return address on the wallet and mails it back to the Radlett Sorting Office, from where we collect it.

We provide each listener with a dedicated sound player, at no cost to them, which is delivered and demonstrated to them by one of our volunteers. Our listeners greatly appreciate receiving the Talking Newspaper. Not just for the information, but also for the feeling that someone is interested in them and is talking with them.

There is no cost to a listener for this service; the REBS Talking Newspaper is dependent on donations to fund its equipment and small overheads, and the mailing is free, using the Articles for the Blind service run by the Post Office.

We are always happy to hear of potential new listeners. We rely on relatives, friends, and neighbours to tell a visually impaired person about our service although it is not uncommon when someone starts to lose their sight for a social worker to contact the Talking Newspaper and the Visually Impaired Club, our sister organisation.

To find out more, or to hear some recent recordings, visit our website: <https://www.hertsmertalkingnewspaper.co.uk>. You can also find our REBS group on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/644806189648749/>.

To find out more about the REBS Talking Newspaper service please contact either Paul Sennett on 07551725041 (pwgsennett@outlook.com) OR Helen Dashwood on 07956 129866 (helendashwood@gmail.com)

St John's Church and Hall - A new community space that welcomes all



St John's Church, Gills Hill Lane

St John's Church has always aimed to serve the local community and, with this new facility, we are keen to explore new ways of doing so.

In keeping with their Christian ethos, the new church and hall have been open since September 2023. The facility is used regularly by several groups and organisations, as well as the church, St John's School, and for birthday parties. However, there is room for more. We would be particularly interested in hearing from organisations that want to run one-off events or regular groups that meet health or educational needs (eg a singing group for those with dementia, an educational event on scamming risks, or another event you want to plan).

There would be special rates, possibly even free if the event clearly benefits the community.

We have three rooms, with approximate dimensions of

- 9.3m by 16.4m (approx. 30ft by 54ft) – see picture (set out for a Toddlers group)
- 8.3m by 6.1m (approx. 27ft by 20ft)
- 7.6m by 4.5m (approx. 25ft by 15ft)



Toddler Group

Christ Church nursery uses the two smaller rooms Monday-Friday until 3pm during term time. Accessible toilets and baby changing facilities are available, and there is a large fitted kitchen. So, if you are aware of a local need, or are looking for premises for your group, or would simply like to talk over options, please contact us at radlettvisionhall@gmail.com (telephone 01923 850345, Mon-Fri mornings only)

Jeremy Newton, Churchwarden, Christ Church & St John's

theWI Aldenham WI, and a decadent chocolate cake recipe

A warm welcome from Aldenham Women's Institute (WI). This article is to keep all the ladies of Radlett and the surrounding area abreast of what is happening in our group. So far this year, we have had two speakers visit us: Tom Way talking about the Wildlife on Your Doorstep initiative and his photography in Kenya; and Adam Smith talking about the Rothschilds and the Vale of Aylesbury. Very diverse subjects and incredibly interesting.

In 2024 the subjects of talks will be: *The Occupations of Victorian Britain* • *Hertfordshire in Literature* • *Georgi Markov and the Poison Umbrella* • *Flower Power – How Plants Control Animals* • *Fingerprint Analysis*

We also have quiz nights, fish and chip suppers, and outings to various local sites. At our March meeting, we will be celebrating our 104th birthday. You are most welcome to visit us on the second Tuesday of each month at Aldenham Preparatory School at 7:30pm to get a flavour of what we do and to see if you would like to join us. We also have regular sub-groups for walking, crafts, and chatter, as well as a book club.

If you would like more information, we can be contacted via Hertfordshire Federation on office.herts.wi@gmail.com or on 01582 834010. Alternatively, you can find us on Facebook at Aldenham WI. To whet your appetite, here is a delicious, and rather decadent, chocolate cake recipe submitted by one of our members – cake and tea of course being provided at our meetings. Enjoy!

Cake ingredients: 350 grams flour, 2 tsp baking powder, 1½ tsp baking soda, 1 tsp table salt, 85 grams cocoa powder, 500ml boiled water, 225 grams unsalted butter (at room temperature), 500 grams sugar, 4 large eggs (at room temperature), 1 tsp vanilla extract



- Method:**
1. Preheat the oven to 175°C/350°F. Line the bottom of each cake pan with parchment paper.
 2. Sift the flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt into a medium bowl and mix. Set aside.
 3. Put the cocoa powder in a medium heatproof bowl. Pour the boiling water over the cocoa powder and whisk until completely smooth. Set aside to cool slightly (although make sure to add while still warm).
 4. Beat the butter and sugar until light and fluffy, about 8 minutes in a stand mixer.
 5. Beat the eggs and vanilla extract together, then add the mix slowly to the butter and sugar, beating until each addition is incorporated before adding the next. Scrape down the sides of the bowl with a spatula when necessary.
 6. Add the flour mixture in parts, alternating with the warm cocoa mixture, beating just until each addition is incorporated before adding the next; do not overmix.
 7. Pour the batter into the prepared pans. Bake until a toothpick inserted in the centre comes out clean, about 45 minutes for a 9 x 13-inch pan or 55 minutes for 8-inch pans, rotating the pans halfway through.
 8. Transfer to a wire rack and let cool completely in the pans before removing.
 9. Once completely cool, cover the top of the first half with chocolate frosting, stack the second half on top, and then coat the entire cake with frosting. Alternatively, use salted caramel frosting or a tart jam like raspberry between the two halves.

Carolyn White For Aldenham WI



The Radlett Policing Team



Hello from Herts Police's Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPT), formally known as Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNT).

Leavers

On Wednesday 31st January, we said goodbye to Chris Bodell, who left his role as PCSO supervisor to become a Police Constable in Herts. We extend our gratitude to Chris for his invaluable contributions and consistent positive attitude while working with NPT. We wish him good luck in his future endeavours and look forward to seeing his successful progression as a PC.

Joiners



**PCSO
Karen Gregson**

PCSO 6077 Karen Gregson

As the new PCSO for Aldenham East and West, I hope to foster a robust and productive relationship with the community of Radlett and Aldenham. I aspire to bring a positive impact to the individuals, families, and organisations in the area. I have been busy familiarising myself with the area and the unique issues faced here, as well as attending some recent community engagements such as: 'beat surgeries' at the Radlett Museum and Letchmore Heath Memorial Hall with PC Mike Morris; crime prevention advice at the Radlett Winter Fair; and internet safety and online fraud advice at the Radlett Library for Internet Safety Week alongside Barclays Bank. I have also been shadowing the delivery of the Herts Police's Mini Police programme and related talks at Newberries Primary, Aldenham Prep, and Haberdashers' Girls' Junior School.

I have enjoyed my first few months in Radlett and Aldenham and have received a very warm welcome, both from my team and the community. I look forward to getting to know everyone and to attending many more exciting events in the future.



**PC
Andy Perry**

PC 486 Andy Perry

As the newest addition to Radlett's NPT, I am excited to serve such a wonderful community. Having served as an intervention officer for four years, I bring experience from one of the hardest roles that exist in the police. Throughout that time, I developed a proactive approach to policing and I am looking to apply this directly to the issues that you are facing in Radlett.

I have found in the short time I have had in the NPT that I have enjoyed speaking to the residents of Radlett and having the time to really understand what their concerns are and looking to fix these issues.

Everyone in policing understands that without the public's support, our job will be made near impossible. I hope to develop strong relationships with residents, businesses, and organizations within Radlett to make sure that we can serve you most effectively.

Upcoming Events

We will be hosting several community engagement events around Aldenham throughout the year, including beat surgeries, bike marking and crime prevention events. Details will be posted to our social media page: Hertsmere Police on Facebook, X, and on the Aldenham Parish website/social media/noticeboards.

Events to look out for include Police attendance at Aldenham Country Park, where NPT and the Children's and Young Persons' team will be there to answer any crime-related topics, give crime prevention advice, increase confidence, and reduce perceived barriers between police and young people.

Crime Prevention

In addition to our crime prevention advice which can be found on our website, please keep in mind there have been several recent thefts from motor vehicles where the owners left their car doors unlocked. Ensure your car is secured and keyless entry car keys are stored in a Faraday pouch.

If you are looking to provide us with any information concerning issues you are having, please report online or call 101 for anything that is not an emergency.



**PC
Michael Morris**



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April

- Sun 7 Pop Princesses 1pm
- Mon 8 - Fri 12 Easter Musical Theatre Workshop
- Sat 13 Alice in Wonderland 1pm & 4pm
- Sun 14 Lionel Bart 6pm
- Tue 16 Ashley Blaker 7.30pm
- Wed 17 Paul Potts 7.30pm
- Wed 24 One Night in Dublin 7.30pm
- Thurs 25 Charlie Cook's Favourite Book 4.30pm
- Fri 26 Charlie Cook's Favourite 10.30am & 1.30pm
- Sat 27 Charlie Cook's Favourite 10.30am & 1.30pm

MAY

- Wed 1 Hound of the Baskervilles 7.30pm
- Fri 3 Live At The Radlett 7.30pm
- Sun 5 You're Bard 7.30pm
- Wed 8 Spurs Legends 8pm
- Thurs 9 Opera Boys 7.30pm
- Fri 10 DS:UK 7.30pm
- Sat 11 Radlett Festival of Music 2pm
- Sun 12 Magic and Marvels 2pm
- Tue 14 Tony Stockwell 7.30pm
- Wed 15 UB40 The Legacy 7.30pm
- Thurs 16 Made in Tennessee 7.30pm
- Wed 22 Mission – Songs of Bond 7.30pm
- Thurs 23 Forbidden Nights 7.30pm
- Wed 29 Treasure Island 1pm & 4pm
- Thurs 30 King of Pop 7.30pm
- Fri 31 Woman Like Me – Little Mix 5pm

JUNE

- Sat 1 Rapunzel 1pm & 4pm
- Sun 2 Couple of Swells 7pm
- Wed 12 Mark Watson 7.30pm
- Thurs 13 Strong Enough 7.30pm
- Fri 14 Coda 7.30pm
- Sat 15 Goldilocks Ballet 1.30pm



- Tues 18 The Lion Inside 1.30pm & 4.30pm
- Wed 18 The Lion Inside 10.30am & 4.30pm
- Thurs 20 From Gold to Rio 7.30pm
- Fri 21 Simon Evans 7.30pm

JULY

- Wed 17 Searchers and Hollies 7.30pm
- Mon 29 - Fri 2 Aug Summer Musical Theatre Workshop Week 1

AUGUST

- Wed 7 Peppa Pig 10am, 1pm & 4pm
- Thurs 8 Peppa Pig 10am, 1pm & 4pm
- Mon 19 - Fri 23 Summer Musical Theatre Workshop Week 2
- Tues 27 Fireman Sam 11am, 1.30pm, 4pm
- Fri 30 Pop Party 3pm



SEPTEMBER

- Thurs 5 Tony Adams 8pm
- Sat 7 Elo Again 7.30pm
- Wed 11 Sounds of the 60's The Zoots 7.30pm
- Frid 13 Aled Jones 7.30pm
- Sat 14 Celebrating George Michael 7.30pm
- Thurs 19 Someone Like you 7.30pm
- Fri 20 Live At The Radlett 7.30pm
- Sat 21 Carpenters 7.30pm
- Sun 22 Science Museum Live 12pm & 2.30pm
- Fri 27 Roy Orbison 7.30pm
- Sat 28 Nick Ross Orchestra 7.30pm
- Sun 29 Musicals Sing-Along 7.30pm



OCTOBER

- Tues 8 Smartest Giant 4pm
- Wed 9 Smartest Giant 10am, 1pm & 4pm
- Thurs 10 Music Club 7.30pm
- Tues 15 - Sat 19 RMTTC Footloose 7.45pm + Sat 2.30pm
- Sun 20 Marty Wilde 7.30pm
- Tues 22 Psychic Sally 7.30pm
- Wed 23 Emerald Storm 7.30pm
- Thurs 24 Very Hungry Caterpillar 1.30pm & 4.30pm
- Fri 25 Very Hungry caterpillar 10.30am & 1.30pm
- Sat 26 Very Hungry Caterpillar 10.30am & 1.30pm
- Tues 29 Magic of Science 2pm
- Thurs 31 Abba Forever 7.30pm

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