



Dursley Matters

Dursley Town Council Newsletter

Summer Edition 2016

What's on...

Dursley Farmers' Market

Held from 8.30am to 1pm in the Market Place on the 2nd Saturday of the month. Your chance to purchase local produce including – local meats, bread, homemade cakes & much more.

Flower & Produce Show 2016

Saturday 3rd September 2016 in the 'Secret Garden' at the Chantry Centre, Long Street
Contact the Show Organiser on 01453 548271
www.transitioncamdursley.org.uk

Paint the Town Pink

5th – 10th September 2016

Volunteers in Dursley and Cam will be decorating the town for Breast Cancer Awareness. Join in and wear pink on 10th September 2016 when volunteers will be giving out information in the town centre.

Blackberry Barn Dance

Saturday 24th September 2016 7:30-11pm at the Chantry Centre, Long Street
Tickets from Simply Foot Care or call 07920018416 / 07958466502

Dursley Walking Festival 2016

Thursday 6th to Sunday 9th October 2016
www.dursleywelcomeswalkers.org.uk

Dursley Fireworks 2016

Saturday 5th November 2016 on the War Memorial Recreation Ground
www.girlguidingdursley.btck.co.uk/DursleyFireworks

Dursley Christmas Lights Switch On

Friday 25th November 2016 from 4:30pm in the town centre.

Highfields Play Area

After several years of negotiations, we have just completed the lease to take over responsibility for Highfields Play Area from Stroud District Council.

We have started the process of looking at the work required to bring the area up to an acceptable standard. We will be concentrating first on those issues we consider to be a priority e.g. work related to safety.

In the future longer term improvements will be identified through consultation with the community.

Telephone Box Adopted

We have adopted the telephone kiosk in Castle Street, next to the Methodist Church.

We were notified by BT that the payphone was to be disconnected due to low usage and the kiosk removed.

The kiosk is a "K6" model designed by Giles Gilbert Scott in 1935.

Our Town Improvements Committee agreed that we should adopt it for community use.



We would like to use the kiosk for a community feature and would welcome any innovative ideas or suggestions.

Project Welcome

We are proud to be supporting Project Welcome launched on 15th July at GL11.

Project Welcome has been organised to spread a welcoming message in Cam and Dursley in the face of recent racial abuse incidents.

Posters with the word "welcome" in 16 different languages have been distributed to traders and organisations in the area to expose their message of positivity.



The Town Mayor Neil Grecian who attended the launch said "It's important that we see ourselves as an inclusive community that everyone is an important part of. I'm pleased to see so many people here today from across various organisations which also form part of this community supporting Project Welcome."

Use Our 'What's On' Diary

Send us details of your community events and we will promote them on the **What's On** feature of our website. We also have a local Community **Directory** of Facilities, Businesses and Voluntary Groups.

Dursley Festival

We would like to thank everyone who stopped by to talk to us at our stand at the Dursley Festival on 25th June 2016. The event was a great success.



69 people filled out our car parking and transportation survey on the day.

The results of the survey will be fed into the work we are currently undertaking with Stroud District Council and Gloucestershire County Council to try to find a solution to the car parking issues in the town.

Lots of people also stopped by the stand to find out more about Future Dursley (see the next page for information).

Dursley in Bloom Going for Gold

The Heart of England in Bloom judges visited the town on 29th July 2016 to judge this year's flower display. They took a tour of the town centre visiting the Secret Garden project at the Chantry Centre, displays at the Day Centre, May Lane, Champions Court and the garden project at the Peak Academy. Dursley in Bloom volunteers now have to await the decision which will not be known until September time.



The Mayor, Judges & volunteers outside the Methodist Church

They have all worked extremely hard to get the town looking its very best. Last year the judges awarded Dursley a Silver Gilt; the team hope to win Gold this time.

We would like to congratulate the volunteers for all their hard work whatever the outcome. Dursley in Bloom are always looking for more help, if you would like to volunteer please contact the Council office.

Meet Councillor Matt Nicholson

"I've been a councillor for nearly 10 years and have lived in Dursley since 1994. I have been on the Planning and Green Spaces Committees for pretty much all of my time on the Council.

In addition, in recent years I have set up the Community Speedwatch group in Dursley which has been targeting specific areas known for speeding problems and working to educate offending drivers in partnership with the Neighbourhood Policing team.



I really enjoy being able to give something to the community I live in and working to make it a nicer environment for everyone.

I have worked for a US based IT Outsourcing company for 19 years, have been married to Ann-Marie for 12 years and have a 10 year old daughter who is a pupil at Dursley Primary Academy".

Community Payback

We have been working with the Community Payback project. Community Payback can be part of a 'community sentence' given to an offender.

The team is supervised in the community to undertake work which benefits the community. The work can be, for example:

- removing graffiti
- clearing litter and rubbish from public areas
- repairing and decorating public buildings
- clearing undergrowth from paths and other areas

It means that the offenders pay back the community for their crimes by doing tough demanding work.

The project has been successfully operating in the town on a weekly basis, undertaking work that we have identified including weeding, clearing pathways and painting railings.

Kingshill Cemetery

Following a successful trial period the main Cemetery gates are now open from 9am -3:30pm Monday to Friday. This is to improve public vehicular access.

Pedestrian access to the cemetery remains open:

March to October: 8am to 8pm.
November to February: 9am to 4pm.

New signage will soon be in place at the cemetery confirming the changes.

Vibe News



Sam Martin, the Community Youth Worker for Cam and Dursley, will be leaving us at the end of August for pastures new. Sam will be missed and we wish him the very best for his future. James Honey, from 'The Door' will be taking over the Vibe youth sessions from September.

The new days/times from September 5th for the youth sessions are as follows:

Monday 4-6pm
Tuesday 4-6pm
Wednesday 7-9pm
Friday 6-9pm

Holiday sessions may vary. Sessions are for 11-17 year olds only, unless otherwise stated.

The Youth Centre can be hired out to others when not in use.

Why not hold your meetings, training sessions and other events at Vibe?

The facilities available include a tech meeting room and Café/Den area that can be hired out together or separately.

For further information, hire conditions and prices please contact the Council office.

Keep up to date with Vibe on Facebook at:

www.facebook.com/dursleyvibe

Your New Councillors

We are pleased to welcome 3 new councillors following the recent co-option of Wendy Thomas (Highfields Ward), Symon Ackroyd (Central Ward) and Andrea Sheffield (Highfields Ward).



Latest News on.....



FUTURE DURSLEY

Our Neighbourhood Plan

Future Dursley is working with consultants 'Place Studio' to draft emerging policies for Dursley's Neighbourhood Development Plan.

All of the evidence and consultation feedback collected so far is being fed into this process.

The group want to check that the emerging Vision and Objectives for the plan closely reflect the views of the community.

Members of the Steering Group will be at the forthcoming events below. They will have information about the plan and will be on hand to talk to members of the public.

The Flower & Produce Show 2016

Saturday 3rd September 2016 in the Secret Garden at the Chantry Centre, Long Street

The Farmers' Market

Saturday 10th September 2016 8:30am-1pm in the Market Place

The Emerging Vision

In 20 years time Dursley will continue to retain its position as the prime market town serving the south of Stroud district, capitalising on its rich landscape and its location on the Cotswold Way. It will be a strong community and a place where people of all ages choose to live and work in a safe environment. It will be a place where wildlife thrives and the natural environment and green spaces can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.

Do you agree with this Vision?

We want to know what you think about the plan so far

Visit our website to view the key documents. Contact **Future Dursley** at the Council office or by emailing ndp@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk.

Please get involved in the plan, have a say and help to shape Dursley's future.

Useful contacts:

Chantry Centre		01453 542016
Community Centre		01453 543355
Dursley Library		0845 2305420
Dursley Sports Centre & Swimming Pool	Pulse	01453 546441
Kingshill House		01453 549133
Dursley Lions Club	Furniture recycling	01453 544471
Stroud District Council	Contact Centre	01453 766321
	Bulky items collection	01453 754424
	Council Tax	01453 754865
	Planning	01453 754442
	Recycling and refuse	01453 754424
Gloucestershire County Council	Footpaths	01452 425727
	Highways /Street lights	08000 514514
	Switchboard	01452 425000
Vale Community Hospital		0300 4218494
Cam Parish Council		01453 548884

Your Local Neighbourhood Warden



Rachel Pratt
Tel: 07834 419332

Providing help & support with anti-social behaviour, abandoned vehicles, bogus callers, home security & crime prevention, hate crime & bullying, litter, dog fouling, fly tipping & lots, lots more.

Contacting Dursley Town Council

Your Town Councillors

If you live in Highfields Ward, you are represented by:

		Tel	E-mail
Mr B. A. Marsh	22 Somerset Avenue, GL11 4PY	546910	brian.marsh@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mr M Nicholson	11 Third Avenue, GL11 4NT	544657	matt.nicholson@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mr N Grecian	9 Ferney, GL11 5AB	546608	neil.grecian@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mrs S Abraham	39 Rosebery Road, GL11 4PT	519567	suzi.abraham@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Miss A Sheffield	23 Second Avenue, GL11 4PE	07813168690	andrea.sheffield@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mrs W Thomas	The Old School House, 4 The Broadwell, GL11 4JE	07570931816	wendy.thomas@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk

If you live in Central Ward, you are represented by:

Dr. F Firth	2 Hunger Hill, GL11 4JR	543851	fiona.firth@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mrs S Creswick	3 The Slade, GL11 4JX	548123	sue.creswick@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mr S Ackroyd	36 Woodmancote	07477404056	symon.ackroyd@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mr P Hayes	1 Cedar Drive, Dursley, GL11 4EB	546009	peter.hayes@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mrs J Burdge	45 Forge Road, GL11 4GB	519702	jan.burdge@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Mr B Cairns	45 Champions Court, Henlow Drive, GL11 4BE	07407702074	brian.cairns@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk

If you live in Kingshill Ward, you are represented by:

Mrs J. A. Ball	109 Woodview Road, Cam, GL11 5SD	545563	jane.ball@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
Dr. A Stennett	28 Oak Drive, GL11 4DX	549813	alex.stennett@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk
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Mrs L. V. Patrick	30 Oak Drive, GL11 4DX	546995	loraine.patrick@dursleytowncouncil.gov.uk

Your District Councillors.....

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A Hayward	c/o Stroud District Council, GL5 4UB	-	cllr.alison.hayward@stroud.gov.uk
Mrs D Cornell	74 Everlands, Cam, GL11 5NL	548657	cllr.doina.cornell@stroud.gov.uk

Your County Councillor.....

Mr S Lydon	Marsh Court, Marsh Road, Leonard Stanley, Stonehouse, GL10 3NG	07748328061	stephen.lydon@gloucestershire.gov.uk
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Your MP.....

Mr Neil Carmichael	7 Bridge Street, Nailsworth, GL6 0AA	751572	neil.carmichael.mp@parliament.uk
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Contact Your Town Council Office for: planning application viewing, internet access for home seekers website, advice & information on local services, Kingshill Cemetery & St Mark's Burial Ground, Kingshill Allotments, Kingshill Play Park, the War Memorial Recreation Ground & Highfields Play Area

Dursley Town Council Office is open Monday to Friday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

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