

Hertsmere News



Hertsmere Borough Council's magazine
Summer 2023



PRIDE AND PROGRESS

INSIDE: New cabinet – find out more

Hertsmere's new Mayor welcomed

The borough's mayoral chains have been passed on to Councillor Chris Myers.

Cllr Myers, pictured at our recent Pride event, took over the role as Mayor of Hertsmere from Cllr John Graham at an inauguration ceremony in May. The new Deputy Mayor, Cllr Richard Butler, was also welcomed.

During his time as Mayor, Cllr John Graham raised money to support Peace Hospice Care.

He said: "It has been an honour to serve as Mayor of Hertsmere over the past year; I will cherish my time in post and wish our new Mayor the best."

Cllr Myers is looking forward to his year as Mayor during which he will be raising money to support ADD-vance ADHD and Autism Trust and The Albert Kennedy Trust.

> If you would like to invite the Mayor to attend one of your events, please contact the Mayor's Secretary on **020 8207 7477** or email mayors.secretary@hertsmere.gov.uk



On the cover of this issue:

The Pride Progress flag flew outside our Civic Offices in Borehamwood throughout June to mark Pride month and send a clear message of support to Hertsmere's LGBTQ+ community.

Joining the Mayor to raise the flag were our staff, councillors and colleagues from the NHS, Hertfordshire Constabulary, Herts Fire and Rescue Service, Communities 1st and Herts Pride.



A chance to have your say



Over the next few months we'll be seeking your views on how we can improve the ways we keep you all updated about our services and involved in our decision-making.

We'll use those ideas to make some changes to this publication in time for the winter edition.

So keep an eye out for more information about how you can have your say.

Welcome



I'm really delighted to welcome you to this summer edition of *Hertsmere News* for my first time as the new Leader of the Council.

Together with our Deputy Leader, Cllr Paul Richards and cabinet colleagues, we have embarked on an ambitious programme of change to deliver an aspirational green new deal for the borough.

We'll be looking to keep you updated and involved in the coming months as we start to shape the many changes that we have promised. As part of our commitment to enhanced consultation we'll be seeking your input on how you would like us to communicate with you.

This edition sees us welcoming the new Mayor Cllr Chris Myers and his Deputy Cllr Richard Butler. We are incredibly proud to have appointed Hertsmere's first openly LGBTQ+ Mayor. It was particularly meaningful to see our new Mayor lead councillors, council staff and partner agencies last month to celebrate the start of Pride month.

On page 7 we look back at the May elections which brought with them the new requirement for voters to bring along photo ID.

We are deeply grateful to the Electoral Services team and all of the additional staff who helped with the smooth running of the elections and this new requirement. However you voted, it is worth taking a moment to reflect upon the incredible power of our democratic system to deliver change. We often take it for granted, yet there are many parts of the world where this is not the case. You'll find more information about your elected councillors and how to contact them on page 15.

We feature updates on improvements to our parks and ways to stay healthy, safe and well during the summer. Also included is a fascinating interview with our Animal Warden, Annabel Cozzolino.

I wish you a safe, pleasant and healthy summer.

Councillor Jeremy Newmark
Leader of Hertsmere
Borough Council
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Introducing your new Cabinet



Consultation, Communications and Asset Management
 Cllr Jeremy Newmark (Leader of the Council)



Environmental Sustainability and Net Zero and Public Health
 Cllr Paul Richards (Deputy Leader of the Council)



Communities, Neighbourhoods, Enforcement, Economic Development and Transformation
 Cllr Christian Gray



Housing and Housing Development
 Cllr Alan Matthews



Planning Infrastructure and Transport
 Cllr Nik Oakley



Finance and Budget
 Cllr Chris Shenton



Resources and Information and Communications Technology
 Cllr Graeme Alexander



Street Scene, Parks, Leisure and Culture
 Cllr Parveen Rani



Hertsmere's heroes celebrated

Unsung heroes have been recognised for their efforts and positive contributions to the local community at the Mayor of Hertsmere's Civic Awards Ceremony.

Former Mayor, Councillor John Graham, presented eight awards to worthy winners from across the borough at the prestigious ceremony.

Among those recognised were a Potters Bar Foodbank founder,

volunteers at Rainbows and Brownies Girlguiding for their programme teaching young girls new skills and encouraging adventure and those behind setting up Help for the Homeless, supporting rough sleepers

Celebrating the King's Coronation

Local people got together across the borough to celebrate the King's Coronation in May, with many events supported by our celebration grants scheme.

Grants to 50 different organisations, of more than £22,500 in total, were awarded to help those who wished to run events that celebrated and marked the historic milestone.



Recycling

across Hertsmere and the centre of London.

The Youth Civic Award was given to Ava Smith and her fellow pupils from Saffron Green Primary School in Borehamwood who created artwork displaying messages of hope to the survivors of the Balmoral Drive fire, which were spray painted on the boards outside the flats.

The Dave Rankin Award for community safety was presented posthumously to Simon Winters OBE, who died last year from brain cancer at the age of 62. Over the years, he raised more than £12m in his charitable efforts. Simon was a Community Security Trust volunteer and an award-winning Hertsmere special constable.

> Each award winner's story is available to view on our YouTube and social media channels, or on our website at hertsmere.gov.uk/civicawards



Collection calendar 2023

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Week 1 (W1)

Black bin: Anything that cannot be recycled.

Week 2 (W2)

Green bin: Food and garden waste.
Brown bin: Glass, cartons, plastics, cans, cardboard and paper.

Public holidays All collections in a week following a public holiday will take place a day later. For example, a Monday collection will take place on Tuesday and a Friday collection will take place on Saturday, unless you are notified otherwise. Collection calendars are also available on our website at www.hertsmere.gov.uk/collectioncalendar



Just about everything can be recycled at home but other items, such as clothes, electrical items and batteries, can be recycled at local recycling banks or your local Recycling Centre.

For more information and details of opening times please visit www.wasteaware.org.uk

recycle
for Hertsmere



www.hertsmere.gov.uk/recycling

Almost a **quarter** of waste in bins is **edible food**

Research shows that around **£720 is wasted per household each year** by throwing away edible food. Help us in our mission to reduce the **50,000 tonnes of edible food we throw away by 20%**.

WORTH SAVING SAVE FOOD SAVE MONEY

Dig in! Scan the code for top tips, food saving hacks and ways to save.

www.wasteaware.org.uk/worthsaving #WorthSaving

All of this was thrown away



Parks update

Oakmere Park improvements

Young people in Potters Bar can go 'wild' thanks to a new wildlife and nature inspired play space.

We've renovated the toddler play area in Oakmere Park, creating a fully inclusive and engaging play space for

children of all abilities aged eight and under.

The new playground has 14 new items of equipment with a separate space for toddlers and juniors, perfect for summer fun!

Wildflower meadows

Bees and bugs will be able to enjoy more habitats with the planting of new hedgerows, areas of natural grass and wildflower meadows.

Over the next few years, wildflower meadows will flourish in Aycliffe Park and Meadow Park in Borehamwood, Cranborne Crescent in Potters Bar, King George Recreation Ground in Bushey and Mead Road in Shenley, creating 7,325 square metres of wildlife habitat, with more sites to come.

We've also improved hedge planting at sites across the borough resulting in 818 metres of hedgerows and planted a whole host of trees.

The scheme was funded through Sky Studios Biodiversity Section 106 funds, with Hertfordshire County Council funding the wildflower creation and a small contribution towards the tree and hedge works.

Farriers turning greener

A number of unsightly small hard standings in the Farriers Estate area of Borehamwood have been transformed into mini habitat havens.

The works included removing walls, railings and surfacing, improving drainage, creating a footpath as well as laying new wildflower turf and planting to improve the area for both residents and wildlife.

> To find out more about our parks and open spaces, please visit: hertsmere.gov.uk/parks



InspireAll Park Events

Movies in the Park

Friday 28 July at Meadow
Park, Borehamwood

Saturday 29 July at Oakmere
Park, Potters Bar

Sunday 30 July at King
George Rec, Bushey

It's that time of year again, the ever-popular **Movies In The Park** by Park Events is back! Bring a blanket, picnic, sit back and enjoy some family favourites on the big screen. Licensed bar, mini fun fair and food stalls.



Fun in the Park

Monday 21 August at
Oakmere Park, Potters Bar

Tuesday 22 August at
Meadow Park, Borehamwood

Wednesday 23 August at
King George Rec, Bushey

Back by popular demand, **Fun In The Park** will be in three of our amazing local parks from 12pm until 4pm for a day of FREE inflatables and games that you do not want to miss. Suitable for children aged 2+



 FREE ENTRY to both events.
Tickets from [ParkEvents.co.uk](https://www.parkevents.co.uk)




Local elections rundown

All 39 borough council seats were up for election in May, along with an opportunity to have your say on who runs town and parish councils in Hertsmere.

The overall turnout was 33.1 per cent and the results were announced by our Returning Officer and Managing Director, Sajida Bijle at the count in Allum Hall, Borehamwood (pictured below).

For the first time, photo ID was required by voters. We ran a comprehensive campaign aimed at letting you know about these changes. Thank you to our colleagues who worked so hard on raising awareness (pictured above). For more information about voter ID for future elections, visit hertsmere.gov.uk/VoterID

 To find out who your ward councillor is, turn to page 15 or visit our website hertsmere.gov.uk/electionresults for the full results.



Get Sporty this Summer

Hertsmere offers plenty of opportunities for the whole community to exercise and keep healthy. Take your pick from some of our excellent groups.

Back2Bowls

Our popular bowls community event is continuing at our all-weather green at Aberford Community Centre. Learn how to bowl, meet new friends and enjoy the outside. Everyone is welcome to play and equipment is provided if needed.

For more information, email community.services@hertsmere.gov.uk or to book the bowls green visit communities1st.org.uk/aberford-bowls

We Move, She Moves

Our award-winning activity programme for women and girls aged 16+ has classes including dance aerobics, pilates, zumba, aqua zumba, golden dance fit, yoga and pound. wemoveshemoves.me.uk

Friday Night Project

More than a hundred young people attend Hertswood Academy each week to take part in football, basketball, rugby and dance. The project is part of our Active Local Project and focuses on providing activities in Cowley Hill. The project is funded by Leecliffe Big Local and food is provided by WD6 Foodbank. For more information, email community.services@hertsmere.gov.uk

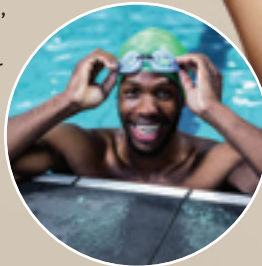
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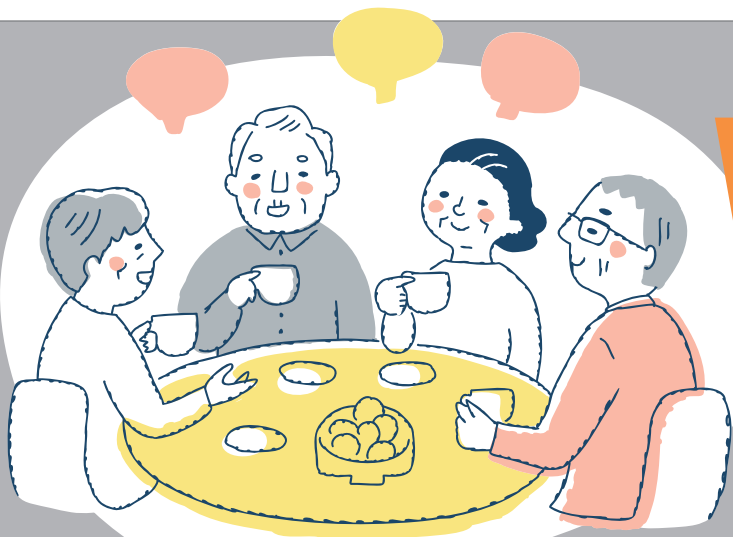
Bushey Grove, The Venue and Furzeffield leisure centres have a great range of activities available including gym, swimming, classes, indoor and outdoor sports.

Plus, during the summer holidays there are plenty of activities to keep the children entertained including Activity Pass, fun swims, soft play, climb and lots more! Make sure to visit the centres' websites and social media channels.

Fit to work

Have you considered a career in the health and wellbeing industry? The three leisure centres in Bushey, Borehamwood and Potters Bar offer a great range of roles including leisure assistants, duty managers, fitness instructors, swimming teachers, catering assistants and many others. Why not join a team of people who love coming to work and making a difference to the quality of people's lives? Visit inspireall.com/vacancies for the latest opportunities available.





Boost your health

It's time for a Vitamin D boost! Alongside the natural benefits to your health, a range of support is available to bolster your health and wellbeing this summer.



Above: Chatter Tables session in full swing at Potters Bar

Chatter Tables

The scheme brings people together in an informal setting for a free cuppa and a chat. Borehamwood's Chatter Table at St Michael's Church takes place every Monday from 1.30pm to 3pm. For more information, email community.services@hertsmere.gov.uk.

Potters Bar's Chatter Table at the Wyllyotts Cafe takes place every last Friday of the month from 10.30am to 12pm. For more information, email friendsofparkfield@gmail.com.

Healthy Hubs

Our four hubs provide free lifestyle support covering mental health, physical activity, weight management, smoking cessation, health MOTs, nutritional advice and sexual health testing kits.

hertsmere.gov.uk/healthyhubs

Hertsmere Against Cancer

Our project aimed at early prevention of cancer is well under way. We're working with GPs to contact anyone who has not taken up screening invitations, with more than 800 people signing up already.

We supported a Health and Cancer Awareness Event organised by Communities 1st in March, which was attended by 170 residents and representatives from four GP surgeries and three national charities. Residents left the event with not only increased awareness of health and cancer, but information about other services such as transport, befriending and walking groups. We are planning to hold similar events across the borough later in the year.



Below: James Jeffery, David Golding and Abigail Stevens





This year sees the 75th anniversary of the HMT Empire Windrush arriving in Britain, bringing more than 800 passengers from the Caribbean.

Marking Windrush 75

Along with the rest of the 'Windrush Generation' spanning from 1948 to 1971, they have been key to the Black British contribution to this country.

To mark the anniversary Mayor of Hertsmere, Cllr Chris Myers paid a visit to Elstree and Borehamwood train station to see Siggy Cragwell, who travelled from Barbados to London in 1962 to work on the railways at the age of 23, and is still working there today at the age of 82.

> Check out our short video of Siggy chatting to Mr Mayor about his journey and experiences on [youtube.com/HertsmereBC](https://www.youtube.com/HertsmereBC)



Food for thought

If you work in the food or catering industry and want to brush up on some key skills, then take a look at our selection of regular workshops and training courses.

Our Environmental Health team offers short courses and one-day workshops on food safety subjects and on occasion offer specialised workshops for food business operators.

We frequently run workshops in the correct use of the Safer Food Better Business (SFBB) packs and also run an accredited Level 2 Award in Food Safety training delivered from our Civic Offices in Borehamwood or in-house for businesses with a minimum of 10 candidates.

> To find out more go to our website [hertsmere.gov.uk/foodsafetytraining](https://www.hertsmere.gov.uk/foodsafetytraining) or email us at ehtraining@hertsmere.gov.uk



Raise money for your good cause!

Join good causes across Hertsmere raising funds every month with the Hertsmere Community Lottery. Applying is easy and there are NO COSTS to you, ever.



- Good causes receive 50p from every ticket sold via their lottery page.
- Marketing materials are provided to help promote the lottery to your supporters.
- Tickets cost £1 a week with the chance to win prizes including up to £25,000 in cash!



www.hertsmerecommunitylottery.co.uk
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Terms and conditions apply - see our website for details. Players must be 16 years or older and physically located in the UK.

ANIMAL WARDEN
ANNABEL COZZOLINO

Q&A

Our Animal Warden, Annabel Cozzolino, joined us in 2022 after many years working with horses. Still with a focus on four-legged friends, Annabel's role now is largely around dog protection and safety.



Q Tell us about your role as an Animal Warden.

A In any one day I might be collecting strays, checking their microchip details and either returning them to their owners or rehoming them through a charity. I also work with the police to share information about dangerous dog cases and liaise with other departments, like Licensing, to make sure all dog breeding establishments are complying with the law and good practice.

Q What are the main things that you're working on at the moment?

A It's the law to have all dogs microchipped, but sadly many owners still don't get this sorted. We're working hard on remedying this and raising awareness of why it's so important to do this.

Dog fouling is a persistent problem and dog owners need to be aware of the health risks this brings, as well as being unsightly and unpleasant. We put up clear

signage at key locations reminding residents that everyone has a part to play in making Hertsmere a clean and safe place to live.

Q What are your main messages to our residents?

A My number one message would be to check your dog's microchip and make sure the details are correct – and always carry a dog poo bag whilst out and about in the borough!

Q Finally, tell us about the lovely Labrador in the photo!

A That's Freddie, who was actually a Hertsmere stray collected when he was a 10-week-old puppy by my predecessor in this role eight years ago! My mum fostered him at the time so he didn't have to go into kennels and he's since become a permanent member of the family. He was thrilled and proud to be asked to pose for Hertsmere News!

For info on stray dogs visit hertsmere.gov.uk/straydogs

Museum volunteers needed



We always need more volunteers. If you have a few hours a week or month to spare, our museums would love your help.

Whether you are looking to make new friends, have recently retired or to add new skills to your CV, there are many ways to get involved; either helping in the museum or behind the scenes. Volunteers bring our local history to life and we are so proud of everything they have

achieved. They make sure our museums are great places to visit.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in helping, you can find out more through our volunteer handbook, which is available on our museums webpages at: hertsmere.gov.uk/museums or call our Customer Services Team to request a copy.



Hertsmere Community Safety Partnership (CSP) brings a range of organisations together to ensure a joined-up and strategic approach to tackling crime and disorder issues in the borough.



Keep your home secure this summer

During the summer months when people are spending more time outdoors, using gardening and leisure equipment, burglars are out looking out for valuable things to steal.

Follow our tips to make your home and garden more secure:

- Always lock your shed
- Burglars can use garden tools to break in, so lock them away after use
- Visibly mark tools and gardening equipment with your postcode and house number to deter thieves and help police identify the rightful owner
- Lock your garage door securely
- Join owl.co.uk/herts to help reduce crime in your local area
- Make access to the rear of your property difficult, keep rear and side gates closed and locked, and ensure boundary walls and fences are in good repair
- Keep wheelie bins secured so they cannot be moved or used as climbing aids

> For more detailed security advice, please visit hertsmere.gov.uk/csp or herts.police.uk/crimeprevention



SAFETY

Cooking outside is a staple of summer weekends, but make sure you do it safely with our handy tips:

- Make sure your barbecue is in good working order
- Ensure the barbecue is on a flat site, well away from a shed, trees or shrubs
- Keep children, garden games and pets away from the cooking area
- Keep a bucket of water or sand nearby for emergencies
- Ensure the barbecue is cool before attempting to move it
- Do not use a barbecue in an enclosed space
- Dispose of ashes in a fireproof container and damp down with water
- Do not use disposable barbecues in unauthorised open spaces or the countryside
- Never have a barbecue on a balcony, in a property or above ground level. The wind higher up can create unpredictable conditions

> To find out more about fire safety visit: hertfordshire.gov.uk/fire-and-rescue



Your Tree Our Future returns for a second year

We are once again working in partnership with Hertfordshire County Council to deliver thousands of free trees to Hertsmere residents as part of the 'Your Tree Our Future' scheme.

Last year we received requests for over 6,000 trees from residents, with a further 40,000 given away across the county.

The scheme is now open for its second year with a further 6,000 trees available for Hertsmere residents, funded jointly by the county council and Hertsmere Borough Council.

> To see what trees are available and to apply for yours, visit hertfordshire.gov.uk/yourtree
Trees are limited to five per applicant and will be available on a first-come-first-served basis.



YOUR TREE OUR FUTURE

Delivered in partnership with Hertfordshire County Council

Action Zero

Hertsmere businesses have the opportunity to grab an Action Zero Gold membership (worth over £170 a year) for FREE.



More than 2,500 businesses are currently benefitting from Action Zero and are at the forefront of tackling climate change, becoming more competitive and producing greener products and services.

The first hundred businesses to subscribe will get access to Wenta's top level subscription, Zero Gold, which is aimed at helping business owners to reduce their carbon footprint in a simple and practical way.

The Zero Gold subscription includes exclusive climate change and net zero webinars on reducing your carbon footprint,

access to Wenta's experienced net zero and business advice team to coach you through each step of your journey, use of the carbon foot-printing tool, a personalised report focused on reducing your emissions as well as coaching to create and publish your net zero plan, plus much more.

> To be in with a chance to claim a free Zero Gold subscription, contact the Economic Development Team on **020 8207 2277 ext 5440/07964 973308** or email: economic.development@hertsmere.gov.uk



Preventing rough sleeping in Hertsmere

We're continuing to work with partner organisations to ensure no-one has to spend a night on the streets.

Our Housing team is working with all known rough sleepers across the borough to encourage them to accept the housing support available to them. However, it can take time for individuals to engage with us and accept support – often because they have complex needs and it is hard to make changes.

Rather than giving money, the best way to help rough sleepers is to donate to local charities who work with these

individuals to give them the support they need.

If you are concerned that someone over the age of 18 may be sleeping rough, please alert us via the StreetLink app or website. The details you provide will help us to find the individual and connect them to support.

If you think the person sleeping rough is under 18, please call Herts Police on their emergency number 999.



Step into Summer with Communities 1st

Want to enjoy outdoor activities, improve your numeracy skills, or visit a local support Hub this summer?

Numeracy skills are vital in this cost of living crisis. If you could do with some support with budgeting or would like to learn about upcycling, come along to a free Multiply training course. Book your session at communities1st.org.uk/multiply

You can visit one of our local Better Days Hubs for advice and connections to services available from Communities 1st and our partners.

> Find your closest Hub at communities1st.org.uk/better-days



Financial support

With the ongoing pressure on household budgets, we are continuing to support those most in need.

The Hertsmere Food Poverty Alliance's 'Worrying about Money?' leaflet, which is for residents experiencing financial insecurity, and anyone supporting them, has recently been updated.

The leaflet has been designed to help people identify and access local advice providers as well as existing entitlements.

> For a summary of financial support available, visit hertsmere.gov.uk/financialsupport

Meet your Councillors

You can contact your ward councillor at any reasonable time. Your councillors are listed in alphabetical order by ward. If you don't know which ward you live in, please visit hertsmere.gov.uk/findmycllr or call 020 8207 2277

KEY

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What's going on at our museums?

Bushey Museum and Art Gallery

Latest Exhibition

It's been 30 years since the museum moved to its current site and the latest exhibition showcases the favourite paintings of their friends and volunteers.

Open Thursday to Sunday, 11am to 4pm.

bushey-museum.org



Potters Bar Museum

Art Nouveau

The latest exhibition looks at all facets of the Art Nouveau movement, including architecture, furniture, household objects and art through stunning photographs and detailed descriptions.

Open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 2.30pm to 4.30pm and Saturdays 11am to 1pm.

pottersbar-museum.org.uk

Radlett and District Museum

Local Art Past and Present

'Local Art Past and Present' features paintings of local buildings, places, events and people. Many of the paintings are accompanied by photographs of the artist. The display reflects the changing nature of art in Radlett and the surrounding hamlets.

Open Wednesdays and Saturdays 10am to midday.

radlett-museum.com



and travels through 250 years of local history.

Open Tuesday to Thursday between midday and 6pm, and on Saturdays from 10am to 3pm.

elstree-museum.org.uk

De Havilland Museum

Summer Activities

An exciting summer of activities are on offer, ranging from numerous car club visits (check the website for clubs and dates) and an Aviation Memorabilia Show on 13 August. Their Dragon Rapide may even come out of the restoration facility to see the light of day (first time in over 10 years).

Open Tuesday to Sunday 10.30am to 5pm.

dehavillandmuseum.co.uk



Elstree and Borehamwood Museum

Murder, Mayhem and Mystery

'Murder, Mayhem and Mystery – A Journey Through the Dark Side' starts in 1735 when Dick Turpin invaded an Elstree farm

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