

Soulbury Parish News

October 2024



Parish Information

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Thames Valley Police

Emergency	999
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Non Emergency	101
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Dates for your diary – July 2024 onwards

Events including Soulbury Millennium Green and Parish Events

Social Group (Thursdays) Parish Hall at 14.30 10th and 24th October.

Soulbury Breakfast

The next breakfast will be on **Sunday November 24th** at the Parish Hall from 9.30 to 12.00.

Come and enjoy a full English breakfast at £7.50 or Continental option with as much coffee and tea as you can drink.

Please come along, we would love to see new faces.

MacMillan Coffee Morning.

Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning. I must thank everybody who got involved in our Coffee morning on Saturday the 21st September. We had a multitude of cakes, loads of willing helpers on the day, but were a bit short on Villagers coming for coffee. Of course there were the regulars who always support Village life, but it would be really nice to see more local residents participate. there were some new faces that I had not met before, but a few more could make all the difference. However, having said all that it was not a complete failure as we will have raised over £400 by the time all promises come in. So big Thank you to everyone involved.

The next meetings of the social group are the 10th and 24th October. I have been asked if I will be doing our Singalong again this year so I am proposing to hold it on November the 30th. Please let me know if you're interested, as I felt let down last year. Thanks

Stapleford Bridge Charity

Stapleford Bridge Charity The Stapleford Bridge Charity is a Soulbury based charity that was set up in the 18th century. Over the years it has supported a number of local projects, including, since the 1980s, providing Christmas food parcels to elderly residents of the village. The Charity has also provided support on a one-off basis to individual residents who have needed financial help.

Soulbury Parish Hall

A great venue for parties, business meetings, fitness classes or rehearsal space.
Fibre broadband connected.

To book, email: soulburyparishhall@gmail.com Table and chair hire also available.

General Information

Please note that if anyone wants to add electric car chargers to their property which is either a listed building or in a conservation area they MUST obtain planning permission.

Harvest Supper

Monday 28th October 19:00 for 19:30 pm £15 per person in the Parish Hall.

There will be a raffle in aid of the leading farming charity, Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution. As this is taking place rather late in the year, it is unlikely that there will be much Harvest produce, so there will not be an auction. However there may be a sale table if anyone has anything to donate.

Menu will be steak pie and vegetables followed by a selection of desserts.
Bring your own drink and glasses.

Please let me know of any special dietary requirements.

Contact me for tickets: mrschris@soulbury.org 01525 270607 07774 237 929

Invitation

from

The Seven Parishes of the Cottesloe Benefice

You are invited to the Institution, Induction and Installation
by the Associate Archdeacon of Buckingham
the Reverend Canon Christopher Bull
of

The Reverend Dominic Wright
as Team Rector of the Benefice

The service will take place at **All Saints Church, Soulbury LU7 0BT**
at **6:30pm on Sunday 6th October 2024**

Parking will be in the adjoining field below the church
Please bring a torch! It will be dark when you need to find your car!

Refreshments following the service

RSVP by Friday 27th September please
to nigelkemal@gmail.com

All Saints' Church Services and News

Dear All,

You are all invited with your spouses to attend our new Team Rector Dominic Wright's Institution, Induction & Installation Service on Sunday 6th October at 6:30 pm at All Saints Church, Soulbury. Please kindly RSVP accordingly by Friday 27th September to assist with the planning.

Kind regards,

Nigel Kemal & Jane Luxton - Church wardens

Sunday 6 th Oct.	11:30 am	No Communion Service – Service Cancelled
	6:30 pm	Service of Institution, Induction & Installation of Revd Dominic Wright – Non Eucharist
Sunday 13 th Oct.	No Service at Soulbury	
Sunday 20 th Oct.	11:30 am	Parish Communion (Canon Grant Fellows)
Sunday 27 th Oct.	11:30 am	Combined Harvest Festival & Brunch Church (Revd Pam Reeves)
Monday 28 th Oct.	7:00 for 7:30 pm Harvest Supper – Parish Hall (See above)	

Whilst we do not have a vicar for Soulbury the number below is for anyone who needs a vicar.

Revd. Canon Valerie Plumb Tel. 01844 – 239347

(My usual day off is Tuesday)

Message from the Cottesloe Team of Churches.

We are getting excited! We have had a few months without our own clergy, leaving the lovely Revd Sister Pam (retired but not retiring!) and myself (also of a certain age and coping with illness) to do what we could. We have been blessed with help from a number of retired priests who came to take our communion services - special thanks to our Area Dean, Revd Canon Val Plumb, who made all those phone calls to find us folk to help.

On September 26th the Revd Dominic Wright will be licensed as our new team rector in Oxford by Bishop Steven, then on October 6th there will be a service of 'Institution, Induction and Installation' at the church in Soulbury.

We are really looking forward to Dominic starting to get to know us all. You may see him around on his bike. One of the things we found out about him during the interview process was that he had cycled from Jerusalem to India, following a journey believed to have been made by St Thomas!

Once Dominic has settled in we will begin looking for a new team vicar to work with him. Hopefully before too long we will be back where we should be, with two full time priests to look after our 7 parishes and 8 churches.

Watch out for Dom, and give him a friendly wave!

Annie Cooper
Licensed Lay Minister to the Cottesloe Team of churches.

All Saints Church – Soulbury

The Ride & Stride sponsored fund raising day organised by Historic Churches Trusts on Saturday 14th September was very successful. All Saints Church was open all day for participants to sign in on our registration form and provide rest, refreshments and toilet break facilities. Twenty two visiting participants were recorded with a further five local people + one dog taking the opportunity to look around the interior of our historic Church. It was nice to have our Church open all day, giving locals the opportunity to walk round or sit in quiet thought, prayer & reflection. Hopefully next year we can also be a participating Church in addition to a hosting venue.

Due to the difficulties in obtaining a priest for Harvest Festival and matching this with the Parish Hall availability on a Monday night for the corresponding Harvest Supper event, we have had to organise this year's Harvest Festival as a combined service with the Brunch Church service. This will now be on Sunday 27th October and any offerings including fresh produce, tinned & packet food will be greatly welcomed.

Planning preparations for All Saints Church, Soulbury to host the 6:30 pm evening Institution, Induction & Installation Service of Revd Dominic Wright as the new Team Rector of the Cottlesloe Benefice are proceeding well. The adjoining church field has kindly been made available for car parking and it is hoped to obtain two local people to undertake car marshalling at the entrance gate and up on the pedestrian gate near the Church entrance reserved for disability parking. Plans are also in hand to procure LED String Lighting to illuminate the long pathway and Church entrance for this service. Light refreshments of tea, coffee, fruit squash, soft drinks, cakes, biscuits and sausage rolls are to be served afterwards opposite the Church in the Parish Hall.

We would welcome help in doing refreshments (bakers), or help on the day to assist with serving refreshments and also directing people to their places in church. If you can offer your help, please contact Nigel. (Mob. No 07398 825430).

With every blessings to you all,

Jane Luxton & Nigel Kemal – Churchwardens

Soulbury Millennium Green – September Report

The SMG Committee re-commenced their monthly meetings in September following the summer break. A new addition plaque with the late Dave Miller's name has now been added alongside Liz Miller's on her memorial bench.

Finance:

Following a very successful Soulfest 2024 our current finances stand at their best for a very long time with our current account balance reported as £12,560.65. With our finances restored to a healthier state following a period of shrinkage during the Covid famine period, we are now seeking to replace worn out tools & machinery. Our old Ride-on mower has become unreliable with numerous faults occurring this year. A second hand replacement mower was viewed with Richard costing £2600.00, but after discussion this was deemed a poor buy for a nine year old machine where as a currently new one has been reduced to just £4399.00. It was agreed to investigate a new ride-on mower replacement further with Richard asked to draw up requirement specifications to cover use in other village areas such as churchyard and football playground. If this can be achieved, the Parish Council would be asked to split the cost on 50/50 basis to cover use in these other areas. It was also agreed to buy additional string lighting for temporary use during our forthcoming Fireworks event. If these were procured with agreement of the Parish Council, the VAT element could be reclaimed, and they would be available for other Parish Village requirements, such as illuminating the church pathway when required etc. An approach to Community Board for application forms for funding the cost of the proposed circuitous pathway in the SMG is to be made.

Firework Display 2/11/24: The ticket entry price was agreed at £10.00 for at the gate, £8.00 for advance tickets bought through Ticket Source and children under 16 years old being free entry. Publicity material created to feature a QR code to link through ticket site. The Boot Inn have agreed to pay for a pre-agreed pitch site and will provide the bar for this event. The Children's Trampoline fairground ride is also expected to feature again this year with a Candy Floss stall. We also expect to run our Barbecue Burgers & Hotdogs food tent. We are seeking funds towards the cost of quiet fireworks for this event and donations from locally based/owned businesses or individuals. Donations can be made electronically direct to the Soulbury Millennium Green account as follows:

Account Name: **Soulbury Mill Green**

Sort Code: **20-57-44**

Account No: **73542793**

Reference: **Fireworks**

Committee Members:

Both the SMG and the Soulfest Planning Committee's need a couple more and members to join them helping serve our community with maintenance of the park and organising fund

raising. If you can spare a couple hours a month in the evenings and would like to help, please join us. Contact Nigel Kemal for further details or invitation to our next meetings (Mobile No. 07398 825430).

Dog Walking:

The issue of irresponsible dog owners not clearing up after their pet has messed is still continuing. New Posters are to be prominently displayed and nature trail cameras moved around to identify offenders. Dog owners should always be in control of their dogs and always clear up where their pet has messed which is the lawful expectation throughout our village. Whilst rare, contact with dog excrement can cause toxocariasis (dog roundworm), a nasty infection that can lead to dizziness, nausea, asthma, seizures and blindness. A Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £100 can be issued to anyone failing to clear up after their dog, which if the case goes to court can be increased up to £1000.

Future Event dates:

02/11/24 – Fireworks Display

21/06/25 – Soulfest 2025

100 Club Draw:

August – Peggy Stevens

September – Alice Crack

Next SMG Committee Meeting date is Tuesday 15th October 2024.

Soulbury Millennium Green Trust - 100 Club & Winners in 2024

January:	Oliver Storey	February:	Tony Crack
March:	Jax Crack	April:	Jean Mason
May:	Vic Wright	June:	Charlotte Harris
July:	Oliver Storey	August:	Peggy Stevens
September:	Alice Crack		



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Soulbury Cricket 2024 (August Report)

We've played 4 matches in sunny August and won 3 of them. Alfie Smees and Theo Carter both scored fifties against Walton. A week later we had a close and exciting game versus Stoke Hammond which we won by just 7 runs. A week later another one of our young players did well - Alex Jones with a fifty at Mursley.

Our final game in August was the annual Brian Mead Memorial match which always gets plenty of spectators. We faced Nick Mead's Legends eleven - mostly consisting of great Soulbury players from the past. The Legends won the game due mostly to a typically flamboyant innings of 75 from Amir Butt and some great bowling by Stuart Bowles and Pete Wallace who got 7 wickets between them,

In September we have three home games against Leighton Town on the 1st, Stewkley on the 8th and Aspley Guise replacing Milton Keynes on the 15th. We look forward to seeing you at these matches and at our 2025 fixtures.

If you have any questions or need more info please contact Adrian Hunt on 07702 019 553.

Please note the cricket match schedule finished in September.

Parish Council News

The meeting of Soulbury Parish Council was held on Monday 16th September 2024 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. There were 6 members of the public present. Apologies were received from Cllrs Maurice Cross, Salina Darbyshire Mackay and Jilly Jordan. Minutes of meeting on 15th July 2024 were agreed as correct.

Matters arising: none. All monies paid and received noted by all and Cllr Wright signed the July and August bank statements.

Planning:

20/03987/DIS: Liscombe Business Park, Soulbury, LU7 0JL - Application for approval of details subject to Condition 4 (Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy) 6 (Great Crested Newt Method Statement) of planning approval 20/03987. No action.

23/A1505/DIS: Liscombe Business Park, Soulbury, LU7 0JL - Application for approval of details subject to Condition 5 (Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy, Habitat and Construction Environment Management Plan) of planning approval 23/A1505/APP. No action.

24/03505/DIS: Rammamere House, Stockgrove Park, Soulbury, LU7 0BB Application for approval of details subject to Condition 4 (Tree Protection Plan) of planning approval 24/03505/APP. No action.

24/02427: Battams Farm, 37 The Green, Soulbury, LU7 0DD - conversion of workshop/store building and stables to single dwelling including associated link extension. Council does not support this application.

21/A1384: Sandy Hill Farm, Leighton Road, Soulbury, LU7 0DT - application for approval of details subject to condition 5 (waste management plan) of planning approval 21/01384 allowed on appeal 22/00106/ ENFNOT. No action.

24/02566: Cherry Tree Barn, Bragenham Lane, Soulbury, LU7 0EE -Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed insert a new patio window in the south east elevation and new roof light to the north west elevation. No action.

24/02711: The Paddocks, Stewkley Road, Soulbury, LU7 0DJ - Prior notification application (Part 3, Class Q) for change of use and conversion of existing hay barn into one dwellinghouse. Council does not support this application as it extends village boundary and opens up area for infill.

Environment

Fountain: Nothing further to report.

Allotments: Nothing to report.

30 mph on Stewkley Road: two members of the public have both written separately to Cllr Gomm for his support with this and neither have had a response. The Clerk will forward a copy of the email to the Local Area Technician, Matt Whincup, and Cllr Jordan.

County Councillor

Cllr Jordan was not present but had sent her report to the Clerk who read out the headlines.

Correspondence:

a. Callum Anderson, MP Buckingham and Bletchley, invited Council to meet him. Clerk to arrange meeting at Council meetings and to advise him of the next two dates.

b. Clerk advised of several notices relating to Govt strategy on local resilience and Martyn's Law.

c. Clerk advised of consultation relating to Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Project (LCWIP) noting suggested routes do not come anywhere near Soulbury. Cllr Wright suggested that we ask for a cycle/walk path from the village to the canal.

d. Clerk advised she had received the revised grass cutting map from the Devolution Team at Bucks County which now does not show the Stapleford Road as an area of responsibility for Soulbury.

Millennium Green:

Dogs are defecating in the area and owners are not picking up after them. Richard Caplan is picking up at least 3 bags of dog poo a day some of which has been found in the children's play area that has a notice on the gate saying that dogs are not permitted in the area. Richard has been seconded to obtain wildlife cameras so we can ascertain who is not picking up and deal/fine them. Cllr Kemal will ensure this happens.

Childrens play area, Mount Pleasant - Thanks received for rolling playground from MOP but undulates badly. Solution to be investigated. However, it was pointed out that the area is used despite this as the nets have been damaged badly by footballs being kicked with force.

Councillors Open Forum

a. PCC - service to instal team rector at All Saints is on 6 October at 6:30 pm.

b. Poppy wreath is £22.25. Clerk will arrange to get a cheque for this to Cllr Rowe, payable to the RBL.

Public Participation

Village green: area recently piped for drainage still needs to be trimmed, rolled and then sown to blend the area in with the rest of the village green.

30 mph area: MOP suggested that pro temps, until the permanent move of the 30mph sign happens, Council could use existing MVAS outside Millennium Green, put a posthole in area by 40 mph sign and move MVAS with its pole to the additional site. Manpower needed. Cllr Wright will organise.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 21st October 2024 at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall.

Buckinghamshire Councillors for our Ward

Cllr Phill Gomm



Cllr Jilly Jordan

Cllr Iain Macpherson



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THIS NOVEMBER

STEWKLEY VILLAGE HALL



ALADDIN

DOESN'T GO QUITE AS PLANNED



WEDS 20TH- SAT 23RD NOVEMBER AT 8PM - £7.50

SAT 23RD FAMILY MATINEE 2PM - £5

LICENSED BAR OPENS 30 MINS PRIOR TO THE SHOW

TICKETS ON SALE AT STEWKLEY VILLAGE HALL:

SUNDAYS 27TH OCT, 3RD, 10TH AND 17TH NOV 10AM - NOON

MONDAYS: 28TH OCT, 4TH, 11TH AND 18TH NOV 7-9 PM

Enquiries: stewkleyplayers@gmail.com

Firework Display

Soulbury Millennium Green

Gates open at 6:00 pm



Saturday, 2 November 2024

BBQ, bar, teas

Donations welcome

Local Policing

This is the Policing Team for Soulbury now based at Wing, not Winslow anymore.

YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM
Wing and Ivinghoe



Inspector
James Davies



Sergeant
David Kuttner



Police Constable
Dionne Edwards



Police Constable
Jake Bye



PCSO
Tina Hobson



PCSO
Connor Smith



Special Constable
Sam Richards

The neighbourhood policing team work with our local communities to make Aylesbury Vale safer

To contact your local Team call **101** or email them on WingNHPT@thamesvalley.police.uk

You can also report an incident on our website: www.thamesvalley.police.uk

In an emergency always call 999

Visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TVPAylesburyVale



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Soulbury WI

September 2024 update

The meeting opened at 2pm with the singing of Jerusalem and then club business matters were discussed. Usually the first meeting after the summer break brings a mass of WI Federation paperwork to attend to, but as the WI is evolving into a much more modern organization embracing the electronic age, we reap the benefits of less paperwork, leaving more time for the fun and fellowship most members join for.

We then welcomed **Wendy Taylor [LRPS]** to enlighten us about ' **My life with a camera**'.

Wendy, well known in this parish, took us from her early years of first picking up a camera, and on through her most recent experiences to gain accreditation with the **Royal Photographic Society**. Her talk was accompanied by some lovely photography from around the world [and around the UK] illustrating not only the joy of taking well composed photos but also the journey and experiences gained in achieving her Licentiate ship.

After this fascinating talk light refreshments were served and the Raffle drawn, before the meeting closed at 4:30pm.

The next meeting is on **Tuesday 8th October at 2:00pm** when we will be welcoming **John Pearson** with his talk "**Blessed are the Cheesemakers**" which will describe some of his encounters with suppliers, impossible customers and will conclude with a short cheese tasting.

John Pearson has spent all his working life in the Food Industry, primarily with Marks & Spencer. Since retirement he has consulted for number of suppliers and retailers. He is an international cheese judge having travelled throughout Europe visiting dairies selecting dairy products for M & S. He also judges for Which? Magazine and is a contributor to the Oxford Companion of cheese. In 2011 he was appointed Cheese Personality of the Year by the British Cheese Board

There is also the **Group Meeting on 22nd October at 7:30pm**. when we will be joined by members from Great Brickhill and Bow Brickhill. The speaker will be **Steven B Bruce** who will give his talk **Buying and selling at auction with stories from the auction room** - with many humorous tales and anecdotes about the characters involved, the costs of buying and selling at auction, how to choose the best auction house – and how to get the best bargains at auction.

Members are welcome to **bring small items for valuation and discussion**, as Steven will include during his talk a 'Road Show' concept selecting and discussing some of the items the audience has brought in.

Meetings start at 2:00pm

2nd Tuesday of each month in Soulbury Parsh Hall

Unless otherwise advertised

Refreshments will be served at the end of the meeting

Visitors welcome £3 entry

See **WI section of Soulbury Newsletter** for more information

12/11/2024	AGM
03/12/2024	Christmas social - Festive Craft activities
10/12/2024	Christmas Meal

Parish Council Email Addresses

Due to GDPR regulations the Clerk and Parish Councillors should not be using their own personal email addresses for parish council business. Therefore, the following email addresses have been set up for everyone to use when communicating with the parish council.

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Wendy Taylor
Victor Wright
Maurice Cross
Alan Stevens
Margaret Rowe
John Bennet
Nigel Kemal
Salina Darbyshire-Mackay

This information will also appear on the parish website.



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Advertising Rates

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	Annual	Monthly
Full page (portrait)	£200	£30
Half Page (landscape)	£100	£20
Quarter Page (Portrait)	£50	£10
Small Ads (landscape)	£33	£5

Ads will appear in the newsletter and on the parish website.

sdm@soulburyparish.co.uk

Elections - Bucks Council and Town and Parish Councils

Next May we all face elections for Buckinghamshire Council and our Town and Parish Councils. You may be aware of reports regarding a shortage of people coming forward to hold office. National Association of Local Councils (NALC) are hosting an event aimed at those who might be interested. You can join this online from home.

Democracy in Action

13 November 2024 — 12.00 – 13.15

FREE

Sponsor: Local Government Association

Do you want to give something back to your community? To empower your place in uncertain times? To use the momentum from the recent general election to renew your local area?

This NALC **Make A Change** <https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/local-elections> and LGA **Be a Councillor** <https://www.local.gov.uk/be-councillor> event aims to promote the idea of standing for election as a local (parish, town and community) and principal authority (district, county, borough or unitary) councillor at the May 2025 local council elections. We need people from all backgrounds and experiences who reflect the communities they serve to put themselves forward for election. Join us to hear from experts in the field who have become brilliant local councillors at various local government levels, from all quarters. Whether you live in a parished or un-parished area, this unique free event will provide a valuable opportunity to learn about the work and role of local councillors in your community and answer your questions about standing for election as a local councillor in May 2025.

A diverse panel of experts will share their insights, experience, and advice. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussions with representatives from areas which held local council elections in May 2024 and elsewhere, to find out how you can change your place for good.

Speakers: Tamsin Hewett, advisor at the Local Government Association, Cllr Jackie Drake, Ulverston town and Westmorland and Furness district councillor, Neil Wedge, chief executive of the Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils and Cllr Chidi Nweke, Loughton Residents Association representative on Epping Forest District Council.

To obtain your free ticket use this link:

Buy Tickets <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/democracy-in-action-tickets-947971106097>

Grand Union Canal Transfer – launch of public consultation

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We would like to inform you of the launch of our first public consultation for the Grand Union Canal Transfer. This is a vital new scheme to move water from the Midlands to the Southeast. It is needed to secure future drinking water supplies. The scheme will also help to protect the environment, ensure future water availability for canal navigation, and unlock investment in our communities.

Consulting with our communities is a central part of the planning process and we encourage people to share their thoughts and opinions on this ambitious and transformative project. These comments will help us understand the local area, and any potential impacts our proposals may have on the community and the environment.

The consultation will launch **at midday 11 September and run until 25 October.**

What is the Grand Union Canal Transfer

The scheme is a joint water transfer project between two water companies, Severn Trent and Affinity Water, and the charity Canal & River Trust ('the Trust') who care for 2000 miles of canals and navigable rivers in England and Wales.

It will use a combination of new pipelines, water treatment plants and other infrastructure, as well as the canals themselves to transfer water from one region to another.

To help people identify the main areas of the scheme, we have split the project into three key sections:

- Northern section – transferring water from a proposed new Advanced Water Treatment Plant at the existing Minworth Wastewater Recycling Centre, to the Coventry Canal at Atherstone via underground pipeline
- Canal section – using the existing canal network to transfer water by building some new infrastructure such as pumping stations and gravity bypasses, alongside adapting some of the existing structures
- Southern section – transferring water into a proposed water treatment works and water storage, before it is transferred by underground pipeline to Affinity Water's customers

You can find out all about the proposals and where we might need new infrastructure on our website: www.guctransfer.co.uk

The consultation

Local communities and interested parties can take part in our consultation in the following ways:

- Online: complete and submit a feedback form on our website: www.guctransfer.co.uk/haveyoursay
- Email: email your feedback to contact@guctransfer.co.uk

- Freepost: post a hard copy feedback form or a written response to Freepost GRAND UNION CANAL TRANSFER (no stamp required).

We'll be holding a series of consultation events and pop-up events at various locations which will provide opportunities to talk to us and find out more:

Date	Type	Location
Saturday 21 September	Consultation event	Atherstone Owen Street Community Arts Centre, Owen Street, Atherstone CV9 1DG 11am-3pm
Monday 23 September	Consultation event	Slapton Elizabeth Griffin Memorial Hall, Church Rd, Leighton Buzzard LU7 9BX 4pm-8pm
Tuesday 24 September	Consultation event	Eaton Bray Eaton Bray Methodist Church, Totternhoe Rd, Eaton Bray, Dunstable LU6 2BD 4pm-8pm
Wednesday 25 September	Consultation event	Chaul End Lyons Community Centre, 33a Mallard Cres, Caddington, Luton LU1 4FG 4pm-8pm
Friday 27 September	Consultation event	Curdworth Curdworth Village Hall, 70 Coleshill Rd, Curdworth, Sutton Coldfield B76 9HH 4pm-8pm
Saturday 28 September	Consultation event	Daventry Daventry Community Centre, Ashby Rd, Daventry NN11 0QE 11am-3pm
Saturday 28 September	Pop-up	Fenny Stratford Junction Opposite side of the canal from the Red Lion, 11 Lock View Ln, Fenny Stratford, Bletchley, Milton Keynes MK1 1BY 9.30am-12.30pm
Saturday 28 September	Pop-up	Grove Lock Opposite side of the canal from the Grove Lock, Grove, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire LU7 0QU 2.30pm-5.30pm
Wednesday 2 October	Consultation event	Hurley Hurley Village, 41 Knowle Hill, Hurley, Atherstone CV9 2JD 4pm-8pm
Thursday 3 October	Pop-up	Stoke Bruerne Lock Bypass Near the Canal Museum, Stoke Bruerne, Bridge Rd,

Friday 4 October	Pop-up	Stoke Bruerne, Towcester NN12 7SE 10.30pm-13.30pm Braunston Junction Near Union Canal Carriers, Dark Ln, Braunston, Daventry NN11 7HJ
Friday 4 October	Consultation event	10.30am-1.30pm Leighton Buzzard Astral Park Community Centre, Johnson Dr, Leighton Buzzard LU7 4AY
Saturday 5 October	Consultation event	4pm-8pm Great Brickhill Great Brickhill Community Centre, Rotten Row, Great Brickhill, Milton Keynes MK17 9BA
Saturday 5 October	Pop-up	11pm-3pm Hawkesbury Junction Near the Hawkesbury Junction Pump House, opposite side of the canal from The Greyhound, Sutton Stop, Coventry CV6 6DF
Saturday 5 October	Pop-up	9.30am-12.30pm Hillmorton Locks Opposite side of the canal from the Canalchef Cafe, Badseys Wharf, The Locks, Hillmorton, Rugby CV21 4PP
		2.30pm-5.30pm

Get in touch

If you or a local resident have a question about the scheme, if you need hardcopy documents or have any other queries, please do get in contact at any time by emailing contact@guctransfer.co.uk, or calling us on **0121 270 5920**.

We look forward to sharing the outcome of the consultations and updates on the project with you and the communities you represent as the scheme progresses.

Kind regards

Grand Union Canal Transfer engagement team

AIRSPACE AND NOISE WEEK 2024

Join us for Airspace and Noise Week

From the 14th to the 17th of October 2024.

This event is open to the public and designed for anyone interested in learning more about London Luton Airport's (LLA) operations.

This event will feature a range of topics and expert speakers, including insights into how LLA operates daily, information about the Noise Insulation Scheme, and an overview of future airspace changes, all presented by the Flight Operations Team.

Additionally, there will be presentations from the National Air Traffic Services (NATS) regarding Air Traffic Control at LLA and you will also hear directly from pilots operating at LLA.

The Airspace and Noise Week offers an opportunity to engage with professionals, ask questions, and deepen your understanding of the operations of one of the UK's busiest airports.

Airspace and Noise Week schedule

DAY	AM SESSION	PM SESSION
Monday 14th October	LLA Operations	Future Airspace Changes
Tuesday 15th October	South Luton Operations	Luton Operations (Pilot perspective)
Wednesday 16th October	Luton Operations (ATC perspective)	Luton Rising - DCO (Noise and GCG)
Thursday 17th October	Community Trust Fund	Noise Insulation Scheme Process

Additional details on each session:

LLA Operations

The Flight Operations Team will give an insight on how the airport operates such as the Westerly and Easterly Noise Preferential Routes (NPR's), the Noise Monitoring Programme and the restrictions and limits LLA has in place to minimise noise for the community.

South Luton Operations

This session will focus on the South Luton operations specifically. The Flight Operations team will present aircraft tracks and explain the associated procedures.

Luton Operations (ATC Perspective)

This session will be presented by NATS controllers from LLA tower. We will also have speakers from NATS at Swanick. They will give an insight into how they control air traffic and ensure safe and efficient operations in the UK. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and gain a deeper understanding of the role NATS play in air traffic control.

Community Trust Fund

The Bedfordshire and Luton Community Foundation will speak about the available grants for projects that bring benefit to people living in Luton, Central Bedfordshire, North Herts District, Stevenage, St. Albans District or the Aylesbury Vale District. Information on how to apply will also be given on the day.

Future Airspace Changes

The Flight Operations team will speak about the Government's wider airspace modernization strategy known as Future Airspace Strategy Implementation – South (FASI-S). The team will also give an overview of the process of conducting an airspace change (CAP1616).

Luton Operations (Pilot Perspective)

Find out about the airport's operations from a pilot's perspective. Discover the challenges pilots face when flying in and out of Luton, including air traffic procedures, runway approaches and weather considerations.

Luton Rising - DCO (Noise and GCG)

Luton Rising will speak about the Development Consent Order (DCO), more specifically about Noise and the Green Controlled Growth approach to expansion.

Noise Insulation Scheme Process

The Flight Operations Team will present the details of the scheme, explaining the process and how eligibility is determined.

Book Airspace and Noise week

If you would like to attend LLA's Airspace and Noise week, please click the button and fill in the form.

BOOK NOW london-luton.co.uk/airspace-and-noise-week-2024

After submitting your booking enquiry

Once submitted, you will receive a confirmation email from LLA with details of where to park and attend the sessions.

Each session will consist of a presentation, followed by a Q&A.

We look forward to seeing you!

Kind regards,

Lorraine

Lorraine Morton



Press Release from Buckinghamshire Council

25 September 2024

Household Recycling Centres switch to winter opening hours

Visitors to Buckinghamshire's Household Recycling Centres (HRCs) are being reminded that from Tuesday 1 October, opening hours at all 10 centres across the county will be switching to the winter hours of **9am to 4pm**.

The change in opening hours occurs every year, in line with shorter days bringing fewer visitors to the sites after 4pm.

Thomas Broom, Buckinghamshire Council's Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Environment said: "During the winter months we find far fewer residents visiting our HRCs after 4pm therefore we change the regular opening hours to reflect this."

Thomas continued: "All other site opening arrangements remain unchanged, so centres are open on the same days, it is just the hours that change between the beginning of October and the end of March."

To find out which days your local HRC is open and also further details of what can and cannot be taken to a centre, visit: [buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling](https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling)

If you are worried about the site being busy you can check ahead and view live webcam footage via the council website and plan your trip accordingly.

Thomas added: "Don't forget, any items such as furniture, garden equipment, bicycles and household equipment in good condition that you are looking to get rid of, can be taken to any HRC where they are collected for reuse."

Items donated are sold on by South Bucks Hospice which runs the reuse shops in High Wycombe and Aston Clinton HRCs. Items for resale can be taken to any of the 10 sites and will be transported to the reuse shops.