



VERWOOD VISTA

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MAYOR'S REPORT

It is an honour and a privilege to have been elected as Mayor of Verwood and Three Legged Cross for the forthcoming Council year. My wife, Sarah and I, are very grateful for the warm welcome that we have received at events so far. I would like to pay tribute to our outgoing Mayor Cllr Matthew Parker for his hard work over the past two years.

To be able to start the term with the Jubilee was a joy. The events across the town were fantastic; the vintage fayre on the Recreation Ground and Ferrett Green was a wonderful display of community spirit and the feedback has been extremely positive. My particular thanks to Cllr Sandra Grove for her dedication in getting the event organised alongside our brilliant team in the council offices. The Carnival, street parties, service of worship and the Brass Band all made for a memorable weekend and a fitting tribute to Her Majesty.

This is an important time for the town as we continue to recover from the impact of the pandemic. It is encouraging how many community groups, club and societies are now back up and running but I know that there are challenges. My main priority this year is to support our community groups in any way that I can. Our community is our biggest asset and we must do all that

we can to support those volunteers who provide such an important lifeline and service to so many in the town. If I can help your group or organisation – please do get in touch. I would love to visit as many as I can.

I have decided to establish a Mayor's fund to raise money for good causes and local organisations. The main beneficiary of any funds raised will be Verwood Concert Brass, a jewel in our crown. However, I also want to be able to support any groups that are bringing people together, especially those individuals who might otherwise be on their own. After so much time apart, it is vital that we come together again, safely.

Alongside civic responsibilities, it is a busy time for the Town Council as we look to set up a Lengthsman scheme to help maintain the town and continue to support the Youth & Community Centre, as well as many other projects. I hope to see you around the town or at one of our meetings.

I hope you have a wonderful summer.

Councillor Simon Gibson



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Remembrance Parade
Sunday 13th November

Christmas Extravaganza
10th December

LITTER PICKING

Saturday 24th September at 10.00am

Meeting outside Three Legged Cross First School, Church Road.

Saturday 29th October at 10.00am

Meeting at the entrance to Verwood Recreation Ground

Saturday 26th November at 10.00

Meeting at the Skate Park, Potterne Park



All litter picks last for around an hour and equipment is provided. All ages welcome, under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.



MAYOR MEETS REFUGEES

On Tuesday 24th May, Verwood Mayor, Councillor Simon Gibson, met with Syrian and Ukranian refugees at Verwood Youth & Community Centre.

The refugees had been linked with host families by Second Chance charity which is run by Cllr Shelley Rose in addition to the Verwood Community Support Group and Verwood Community Food Bank.



Youth Club Sessions August:

Monday 15, 22 & 29	2:00-3:30 Creative and Mindful time £1
Monday 15, 22 & 29	Year 7 6pm-8pm £1
Tuesday 16, 23,	Summer Club! 10 am-2pm Free for anyone on pupil premium/free school meals. £5 for all others.
Wednesday 17	Seniors (Year 9+) 6:30pm-8:30pm £1
Thursday 18, 25	2:00-3:00 Sports at Potterne Free
Thur 18, 25 & 1 Sept	Year 8 6pm-8pm £1
Friday 19, 26	3:30-4:15 Yoga with KG Body £3
Wednesday 24	Coastering and Paddleboarding! £56
Wednesday 31	Paintballing extravaganza @ Gorcombe £35

VERWOOD YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE

To enquire about Verwood Youth and Community Centre lettings please email: youthandcommunitycentre@verwood.gov.uk

For information on Youth Socials:  @verwoodycc  youth_centre_verwood

TOUR OF BRITAIN CYCLE RACE COMES TO VERWOOD & THREE LEGGED CROSS

The Tour of Britain is the UK's most prestigious and longest-running international cycle race and this year Dorset is the host region for the penultimate stage on **Saturday, 10th September.**

Stage seven will take the riders from West Bay to Ferndown via Verwood & Three Legged Cross. Running parallel with the West Dorset Heritage Coast before passing through Dorchester, West Lulworth and Corfe Castle, the route then heads inland towards Wareham, Milton Abbas and Wimborne Minster finally looping round, through Verwood, Three Legged Cross and on to Ferndown.

Due to the nature of the event, a rolling road closure will be enforced on each of the stages, meaning that roads on and around the race route will be closed for the short period it takes the cyclists to pass by – usually approximately 15 to 20 minutes.



MAKEOVER OF BOULES COURT

Members and Friends of Verwood Rotary Club met at the Memorial Recreation Ground during May to clear and then resurface the boules playing surface with limestone chippings so that it would be ready for play during the Jubilee events. Rotarian Tim Garrick, who headed up the project, said "my thanks to all who worked hard to finish the job. Hopefully this will be a welcome addition to the activities available to residents in Verwood, courtesy of Rotary".

We hope many residents will be able to meet up and enjoy a game of boules on the court over the coming months.

HEDGEHOGS

Hedgehog numbers are in decline. A Hedgehog Highway is a 5 inch gap in a fence which provides access for foraging for food and meeting mates. For more information or to purchase a Hedgehog Highway please go to:



www.hedgehogsrus.co.uk/hedgehog-highway-project



PLATINUM JUBILEE VINTAGE FAYRE

On Thursday 2nd June a Vintage Fayre was held on Verwood Memorial Recreation Ground and Ferrett Green to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Approximately 5,000 people attended the event where there were stalls, refreshments, a climbing wall and live performances from many talented and varied artists. Families and friends gathered to picnic and enjoy the festivities well into the evening.

On Sunday 5th June Verwood Concert Brass Band performed rousing pieces on Verwood Memorial Recreation Ground despite the wet weather!



Alcoholics Anonymous have a regular meeting at the Verwood Methodist church, Vicarage Road, BH31 6DR, on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm - everybody is welcome.



Find a meeting and live chat:

www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk

0800 917 7650

help@aamail.org

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS



All enquiries are treated in the strictest confidence.

POLICE NOTICE

We urge the public to make us aware of incidents that they witness by contacting us on: 999 in an emergency 101 for non-emergency or email us at www.dorset.police.uk/do-it-online.



PC 207 Creasey

TIME TO TALK HELPLINE



Introducing the Anne Robson Helpline - if you or someone close to you is dying, you can talk to us.

At the Anne Robson Trust we aim to be there to listen to anyone who faces dying or the imminent death of someone they care about. We know that facing the end of life can leave you feeling isolated and alone. Being able to access support is so important. Gaining knowledge of what may happen towards the end of life and being prepared helps both the person dying and their loved ones to feel a sense of control.

Calls are free and confidential.

Call us on 0808 801 0688 - we have time to talk

Visit www.annerobsontrust.org.uk to find out more.

VERWOODIANS ON WASTE

Verwoodians on Waste monthly pop-up recycling surgeries are held at the Heritage Centre on the first Saturday of each month between 9.30am and 10.30am



For more eco-friendly tips & events, join Verwoodians on Waste Facebook Group



HEDGE/SHRUB CUT BACK REQUEST

Could residents please ensure that shrubs and hedges are cut back sufficiently if bordering a footpath or pavement so that pedestrians are not impeded.

VERWOOD TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday 27th September
Verwood Town Council Office
Tuesday 25th October
Verwood Town Council Office
Wednesday 23rd November
Three Legged Cross Village Hall

YOUR TOWN COUNCIL

Dewlands North Ward

CLlr Mrs L J Clark
01202 822275

CLlr Mr M Hudson
01202 974654

Dewlands South Ward

CLlr Mrs S Bhowe
07812 569974

CLlr Mrs T B Coombs
01202 827376

CLlr Mr S G Flower
01202 821231

CLlr Mrs S Grove
01202 826449

CLlr Mr P Mann
01202 820866

CLlr Mrs S Rose
07855 201532

CLlr Miss K Stephens
01202 940456

CLlr Mr M D Thorpe (Deputy Mayor)
07483 213309

Stephens Castle Ward

CLlr Mr A Biggs
01202 821186

CLlr Mrs L Dedden
01202 824473

CLlr Mr S Gibson (Mayor)
01202 820822

CLlr Mr A Maw
07808 167949

CLlr Mrs P Morrow
01202 814733

CLlr Mr M Parker
07703 342039

CLlr Miss B J Salmon
07867 334841

Three Legged Cross

CLlr Ms J Russell
01202 822236



Moors Valley
Country park and forest



A summer of unforgettable memories at Moors Valley

From bug-tastic wildlife discovery days to mini Land Rover adventures, summer is here so it's time to get outside and immerse yourself in nature. With so much to see and do, you're sure to find something just right for you. Where will your next adventure take you?

Start planning your visit at www.moors-valley.co.uk



VERWOOD HUB
COMMUNITY & LEISURE

Hub Cinema - The Railway Children Return (U)

August: Monday 15 August 1pm, Wednesday 17 August 2pm, Saturday 20 August 11am and 3pm

Hub Cinema - Minions: The rise of Gru (U)

Wednesday 24 August 2pm, Saturday 27 August 11am & 3pm

Not The Rolling Stones

Saturday 3 September 7:30pm Tickets: £19

Hub Cinema - Elvis (12A)

Wednesday 7 September 1pm & 7:30pm, Sunday 11 September 2pm

Hub Cinema - DC league of Super-pets(U)

Wednesday 7 September 4:30pm, Saturday 10 September 11am

The 80's The Ultimate 80's Concert Experience

Saturday 10 September 7:30pm Tickets £20.
Groups of 6 or more get tickets for £15 per person

The Comedy Sore

Friday 23 September 8pm. Tickets: £15

Strong enough - The Ultimate Tribute to Cher

Saturday 1 October 7:30pm Tickets £24
Available by visiting www.strongenough.co.uk

Nick Helm: What Have we Become Tour (16+)

Saturday 15 October 7:30pm Tickets £15

Phil Collins Tribute

Friday 21 October 7:30pm Tickets: £20

For up-to-date information and to book tickets please contact Verwood Hub
verwoodhub@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk Tel: 01202 828740



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning Application site notices are still issued by Dorset Council, in accordance with statutory duty. Dorset Council does not, however, write personally to immediate neighbours.

To view any plans, please go to the Dorset Council website www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk and look under 'Search for a planning application'

For planning applications which have been received for the consideration of Verwood Town Council Plans Consultative Committee, please go to the Verwood Town Council website www.verwood.gov.uk and look under the 'Plans' section.