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A letter from the Chair and Mayor



Although being a Londoner and a real cockney, I moved to Northamptonshire in 1984. In 2001 I moved to Daventry and married my wife Angela, who grew up on Lang Farm.

I became a Councillor after a friend, obviously fed up with my "sure I could do better" comments, challenged me to stand for election as a town councillor. We were both elected and my journey of service to my community and the frustrations of coping with 'the system' began. I am now in the privileged position of not only being able to vote on decisions which directly affect our town but also, for the next year, to represent the town at various county-wide events.

Daventry Pride and Daventry Flower and Vegetable Show.

I hope, like me, you enjoy seeing the town centre full of people enjoying these events. We have lots more to come this Autumn, details of which can be found in the Museum (p2) and Events (p3-4) section of this newsletter, or visit the Daventry Town Council website: www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk

MAYOR'S CHARITY: This council year, Cllr Nicholl, Mayor of Daventry has chosen **Daventry Dementia Café (Demcafé)**, which provides a safe and friendly environment for people living with dementia and their carers. For more information on the charity and café dates visit their website: www.demcafe.co.uk



Mayor, Cllr. Ted Nicholl

Daventry is a lovely green place to live where the community are exceptionally lucky to have a dedicated team who work extremely hard to make the town a great place to live and work. This year the Town Council has again organised a full programme of free events, all of which I am hoping to be able to attend.

Alongside our regular Knitting & Crochet Meet Ups and monthly Litter Picks, DTC's events have so far included an Easter Market, the King's Coronation-inspired celebrations, British Science Week Event and a packed Summer Holiday Activities Programme offering free workshops for children to attend. We also supported the hugely popular Motorcycle Festival,



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TEEN CLINIC
Free Drop-In Clinic for 11-18yrs
3.30pm - 6.30pm

Monday 11th September
Monday 9th October
Monday 13th November
Monday 4th December

Daventry Mind Building
Brook Street, Old Gas Works Car Park, NN11 4GG

HEALTHY WELLBEING STARTS WITH YOU!
WWW.TEENCLINICDAVENTRY.CO.UK

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Museum

Daventry Museum Highly Commended at The Heritage Awards 2023!

Daventry Town Council is very pleased to announce that Daventry Museum received a Highly Commended Award for its 'Borough Hill and its History' exhibition at the Northamptonshire Heritage Forum Awards 2023.



The exhibition aimed to engage the community by bringing the historic ages of Borough Hill alive through fascinating displays and fun activities. The judges of the category were particularly impressed with the museum's archaeological displays and the various ways in which the museum engaged with the community, especially with local schools.

The award would not have been achieved without the support of the Town Council and the dedication and hard work from the Volunteer Team, who are the heart and soul of the museum. A special mention of thanks goes to museum volunteer, Mike Arnold, who helped devise the exhibition and led guided walks on the history of Borough Hill. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please get in touch to find out more.

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS – CREATIVITY UNWRAPPED

Saturday 16th September 2023 - 10am to 4pm

To mark Heritage Open Days 2023, the museum has invited local creatives and crafters to join in the celebration of this year's theme, 'Creativity Unwrapped'.



The **Daventry Women's Institute** (WI) will be celebrating WI day at the museum and invite you to get involved with some craft demos including prick and stitch cards, cross stitch, knitting and crochet.

Members from the **Tudor Rose Woodturners** will also be in the museum with a demonstration of turned acrylic pens, along with champion of rural crafts, Robert Manton, who will be making corn dollies.

Free **Heritage Bus Rides** will also be in town - see p4.

EXHIBITION NEWS

MADE IN DAVENTRY AND ITS SURROUNDS

1st July - 2nd December 2023



This exciting exhibition is inspired by people and places around Daventry. The displays explore creativity, historic crafts, and manufacturing businesses in the town and beyond.

Exhibits feature roller bearing company British Timken and Cummins, Tudor Rose Woodturners, trades including whip making and thatching, as well as visual art displays by local artist Nina Cashmore and the late Daisy Smith.

Kids can get creative with our free and fun activities including colouring, a Made in Daventry quiz, searching for museum objects and a bee themed scavenger hunt.



MADE IN DAVENTRY AND ITS SURROUNDS



DAVENTRY MUSEUM

Tuesday-Friday from 9.30am-1.30pm
+ the first Saturday of the month
from 10am-4pm

@Daventrymuseum

www.daventrymuseum.org.uk

museum@daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk

01327 301246 - 3 New Street, Daventry, Northants, NN11 4BT

Free Entry!

DAVENTRY MUSEUM

IMPORTANT: The Museum will be closed from 3rd December and will re-open 13th January 2024 with a brand new exhibition.

Events

DTC has been super busy with a bumper number of events since our Spring newsletter.

We have raised the flag for various civic ceremonies, held numerous litter picks and tidy-ups under the 'Daventry Litter Heroes' banner with the Community Ranger, and supported the first ever 'Daventry Pride' event in partnership with West Northamptonshire Council. Earlier in the year we supported the Daventry Motorcycle Festival, DAGA Produce Show plus the previous Mayor, Cllr Malcolm Ogle, with his very successful 'Bark in the Park' fun charity dog show which raised an amazing £2,287 for Marie Curie.

As part of the Kings Coronation celebrations we held Crown Making and Kings Guard Soldier workshops, Music in the Market, and a Coronation Trail around the town. The Knit & Crochet group made a Royal themed Post Box Topper to commemorate the occasion and continue to meet up regularly at the Museum to create and inspire more community craft projects.

The bunting and hanging baskets helped further lift everyone's spirits and make the town look beautiful.

The return of the hugely popular Easter Market had the town filled with stalls and included our free craft tent and a stilt walking Easter Bunny who handed out chocolate bunnies.

The free children's Summer Activities Programme which was a huge hit last year was brought back again for 2023. Children performed skateboard flips, made journey sticks, jelly fish paper plates, summer inspired paper collages, clay tree faces, mini dens, had fun and games with Park Hub, learnt new football skills and even how to unicycle and juggle.

ALL OUR EVENTS ARE FREE FOR ALL TO ATTEND. Visit our website or follow our social media pages to be kept up to date on our all upcoming events and latest news.



EVENTS @ DTC 2023

- FOODIES MARKET & HERITAGE BUSES
- FEEL-GOOD FEST & SKATE JAM <NEW DATE!>
- FIREWORKS
- CHRISTMAS MARKET

CIVIC EVENTS

- MERCHANT NAVY DAY
- ARMISTICE
- REMEMBRANCE DAY

DAVENTRY TOWN COUNCIL
 Saturday 16th September
 Saturday 21st October
 Saturday 4th November
 Saturday 25th November

Sunday 3rd September
 Saturday 11th November
 Sunday 12th November



Follow us to keep up to date on all our **FREE** events or visit our website: www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk

Events & Community

What's Next



FOODIES MARKET - Saturday 16th September 10am-3pm: The Farmers Market has rebranded to the 'Foodies Market' for food and drink lovers everywhere. There will be a huge range of yummy food and drink related stalls, plus lots of free family fun including our free craft tent and Willy Wonka town trail.



Daventry Heritage bus Tours - Saturday 16th September - 10am-3pm
Northampton Transport Heritage will be back, bringing more of their buses to Daventry, as part of Heritage Open Days, recreating nostalgic routes. Bus rides are **FREE** for all to enjoy on the day. Souvenir Programmes will be available to buy and money raised goes toward the upkeep of these historic vehicles.



NEW DATE! FEEL-GOOD FEST & SKATE JAM - Saturday 21st October 11am-4pm NEW DATE!



Meet all the clubs, groups and societies in and around Daventry and have a go with **FREE** activities at New Street Park. Plus **FREE** Skateboard coaching, competitions and prizes - all equipment is provided and all ages are welcome.



FIREWORKS - Saturday 4th November 6-9pm: The annual Daventry Fireworks Spectacular event at Parker E-Act Academy is back. Entry is free and gates open at 6pm - there will be lots of fantastic hot food and drinks.



CHRISTMAS MARKET & FESTIVE FUN Saturday 25th November - 10am-3pm: This is the last big event of the year where Santa and his reindeer will be making a special visit. There will be lots of festive stallholders dotted around the town centre, plus hot food and drink to help get you into the Christmas spirit. We will also have lots of extra free festive fun for all the family including a Christmas Craft Tent, giant snow globe, face painter, festive town trail and stilt-walking Rudolf.

Community

CHANGES TO FREE BUS SERVICE FOR RESIDENTS WITH MOBILITY & ACCESS CHALLENGES



DTC BUS

The Daventry Town Community Bus (DTC Bus) is a service managed by Daventry Area Community Transport (DACT) and funded by DTC. Previously this free service was only open to those aged 65 and over but has been changed to include residents in Daventry town who have mobility and access challenges, no matter their age. The service runs every Friday morning to coincide with one of our market days in Daventry, picking up individuals from home, dropping them off in the heart of the town centre and returning them back home. For more information or to book a seat please call DACT on 01327 701665.

YOUTH HUB LAUNCH: We successfully launched a new weekly Youth Hub located at the Southbrook Community Centre taking place every Friday during term time. Activities, games and themes change weekly and are decided upon by those attending.



OPEN SPACES: This year we have supported community tree planting, installed goal posts at the Fishponds and even took part in No Mow May. Working in partnership with Norse, we have developed a strategy to preserve biodiversity and protect wildlife habitats. 'No Mow May' evidenced that by leaving the grass to grow, in certain areas of the Town, we can see a growth and dispersal of wildflowers, which in turn provides habitats and food sources for local wildlife and numerous species of insects.



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