



THE ALTONIAN WEEKLY

WEEK 16
4th May 2023

Alton Town Council, Town Hall, Market Square, Alton, Hampshire, GU34 1HD
www.alton.gov.uk 01420 83986

You are invited to

A right royal knees up!

 You're invited to:

**ALTON'S CORONATION
BIG LUNCH WITH
ALTON CONCERT BAND**

 Where & when:

**ALTON PUBLIC GARDENS
SUNDAY 7TH MAY
12:00PM - 3:00PM**

The Coronation Big Lunch brings neighbours and communities together to share friendship, food and fun.

CoronationBigLunch.com

   @edencommunities | #CoronationBigLunch



PARTNERED BY      

At 12.00pm the Town Crier, Dave Parsons, will start proceedings with a Coronation Proclamation.

During the day, with thanks to Hampshire County Councillor Andrew Joy for his community grant, Alton Concert Band will be entertaining everyone celebrating this historical event from 1.00pm - 3.00pm at the Bandstand.

Make sure you pick up a free King Charles III's Coronation activity pack from the Alton Town Council stall between 12.00pm and 2.00pm.

The activity pack will include:

**A 'Royal Picture Trail' around the park,
solve the password to win a small prize***

A coronation crown for you to colour in.

A royal wordsearch

**A coronation quiz to test your family's
knowledge.**

Let's all come together in Alton's Public Gardens and get to know one another a little better at the community celebration for the Coronation.

*Prizes and activity packs available while stocks last

The Big Lunch is the UK's annual celebration for neighbours and communities, a time when people come together to share friendship, food and fun. This year Alton Town Council are inviting the local community to join in the Coronation celebrations with a Big Lunch in the Public Gardens on Sunday 7th May from 12.00pm - 3.00pm.



Alton Walking Festival 2023

On Monday Alton Town Council launched this year's month long walking festival. Many thanks to our sponsors McCarthy Stone, Alton School and Pumpkin Pantos for joining us at Alton Station for a photo with some of the amazing walk leaders we have. The festival is in full swing but if you have seen some of the photographs online of the walks so far and would like to take part, don't worry you still can. All the walk details can be found at www.walkalton.org.uk.

Here is a quick glance at some of the walks that still have spaces:

Walk 17 - A Woodland Wander

A delightful walk through woodland and passing through the hamlet of Wivelrod. There should be masses of bluebells. <https://bookwhen.com/altonwalkingfestivalmay2023/e/ev-si0q-20230505100000>

Walk 25 - Dog Walking against the Climate Crisis

During the walk, walk leader and environmental scientist Scott Gudrich MSc will talk about different aspects of climate change and how it affects us locally and hopefully answer some of the questions you might have. <https://bookwhen.com/altonwalkingfestivalmay2023/e/ev-sb68-20230507140000>

Walk 32 - "Railways & Writers" with Southeast Hants Ramblers

Initially taking the disused railway track from Chawton, we make our way through Upper Farringdon, Newton Valence and Selborne (avoiding the zigzag), returning via Bush Down where we hope to see bluebells. Coffee and lunch breaks en route. <https://bookwhen.com/altonwalkingfestivalmay2023/e/ev-s5an-20230510100000>

Walk 44 - Bentley Station to Alton Station

A walk back from Bentley Station to Alton via Binsted, Wyck, Neatham. <https://bookwhen.com/altonwalkingfestivalmay2023/e/ev-snix-20230513093000>



We are really looking forward to this year's Spring Garden Fayre in the Public Gardens on Saturday 13th May. With a variety of stalls, live music and entertainment it will be a great day out!

ALFI SEEDLING SWAP has turned into the biggest, most lively event of ALFI's year, since its launch five years ago.

Each May they invite people to bring their excess seedlings and swap them for other, different seedlings. Dozens of people take part, some bringing several trays of fledgling plants. People are also invited to take away some of the seedlings for a donation.

Helpfully, there's always someone from ALFI on hand with a bit of advice for the new grower, or to receive some from an old hand!

For more information on ALFI please visit:
www.altonlocalfood.org.uk



“WE’VE GOT THE POWER TO CHANGE”

Wed 10th May 7.00pm
Alton Community Centre

Light refreshments and bar



- Highlights from our Energy Champions
- Report on Energy Alton's and Powering Up's very active work programme
- Including business energy project and Energise South Downs
- And an update from ACAN

Boosting sustainability at home and in the community



E Bike Hire

Last year Alton Town Council secured a grant from Hampshire County Council for the use of an e-bike for a year so local residents can borrow it free of charge to try it out for up to 10 days.

We are coming up to the end of the hire agreement but we have a couple of dates available.

Friday 16th May - Monday 5th June

Friday 9th June - Monday 19th June

If you are interested in hiring the bike please go to:

<https://bookwhen.com/ebikeloan>

Alternatively please contact Wendy at Alton Town Council on 01420 83986 or finance@alton.gov.uk





FREE ENTRY

THE FRIENDS OF TRELOAR'S
PLANT SALE

Saturday 20th May 2023
10:00am - 12:30pm at Treloar's, Holybourne

The Friends of Treloar's Plant Sale is back for 2023!

Join us and browse our selection of Annuals, Phoenix Perennial Plants, Unusual Vegetables, Herbs and plants donated by local gardeners.

Plus, enjoy our home-made produce stall, refreshments and raffle.

For more information, please visit: www.treloar.org.uk/events

Treloar's, Holybourne, Alton, Hampshire, GU34 4GL
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www.treloar.org.uk, Charity Number: 1092857



www.ethicalveganevents.com



**alton
vegan market**

10.00 - 15.00
high street
alton, GU34 1AB

join us to experience the very best in street food and drinks, ethical products, gifts and produce. come visit us on

saturday 27 may
saturday 25 november





discover more about our events







**ALTON
NEIGHBOURHOOD
PLAN**

ASSEMBLY ROOMS ON...

FRIDAY 19TH MAY

3:00PM - 7:00PM

SATURDAY 20TH MAY

10:00AM - 1:00PM

**KICK OFF
ENGAGEMENT
SESSIONS**

We need your views!

Come along and find out more about the Alton Neighbourhood Plan process and meet the team.



SCAN ME

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**JAY MILLER'S
CIRCUS**

BACK FOR 2023
WITH A BRAND NEW PRODUCTION!

ALTON
THE BUTTS, GU34 1RD

PERFORMANCES DAILY
Weekdays 5pm & 7:30pm
Saturday 1:30pm, 4pm & 8:30pm
Sunday 1:30pm Only

Early Booking Strongly Recommended

WEDNESDAY 12 JULY

SUNDAY 16 JULY

SPECIAL OFFER Wed/Thu Only - All Seats £10 All Classes - No Offers Applicable - Be Early



BOOK ONLINE

ticket source

www.ticketsource.co.uk/jaymillerscircus

**CIRCUS
INFORMATION LINE
07976 655180**

Discounts Available at www.jaymillerscircus.co.uk

**SOUTHERN ENGLAND'S GREATEST CIRCUS!
TICKETS SELL FAST, DON'T MISS OUT, BOOK TODAY!**

Dementia Support Helpline

If you or a loved one are living with memory loss or dementia, and you need emotional support, information or signposting, we can help.

Monday - Friday 8am - 6pm*

0344 324 6589



**Dementia
Support**

Hampshire & IOW

Dementia Support Hampshire & IOW
is a registered charity (no. 1198042) in England & Wales

*Excluding bank holidays

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION
REGARDING HIGHWAY WORKS IN
YOUR STREET.**



Operation Resilience
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Winchester, Hampshire, SO23 9DH
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0300 555 1390 (Textphone)
Email: roads@hants.gov.uk

My reference EH861/7119877

Your reference

Date 17 April 2023

Email

Dear Sir/Madam,

**EH861 - Basingstoke Road/Pertuis Avenue, Alton - Carriageway Resurfacing
Pre Works**

Further to my previous letter, please accept my apologies that the works here did not start on Monday 13th March as originally planned.

The works which include removal of silt from footway and carriageway as well as kerb and drainage repairs are now programmed for 2nd May 2023, and are expected to take 3 weeks.

In order to complete the works safely and minimise disruption, the works will be carried out with a closure of Basingstoke Road between Pertuis Avenue and Will Hall Close with a local diversion route using Basingstoke Road, The Avenue and New Odiham Road between 09:30 - 16:00. Outside of these times 3 way temporary traffic lights will be in operation to protect the workforce and works area.

Carriageway resurfacing works and ditch clearance are to be carried out at a later date.

Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the published programme dates there may be times when we have to postpone works at very short notice, e.g. because of poor forecasted weather. We will always endeavour to provide you with up to date information, but sometimes these last minute decisions can be difficult to relay to residents and road users in a timely manner.



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Director of Universal Services
Patrick Blogg

The dates will be updated on the yellow sign boards located at each end of the site so the travelling public and local residents are aware.

In order to help us to complete the work as quickly as possible, please ensure that no vehicles are parked on the road in the vicinity of the works while they are in progress.

Please be aware any vehicles left parked on the road that prevent the works taking place, face the risk of being removed.

Thank you for your co-operation and if you need more information regarding these works, you can using any of the options below.

Visit One.Network – <https://one.network/?GB133806014> which is where our planned works are published and is an independent platform that allows real-time monitoring of all the UK's roadworks and diversions.

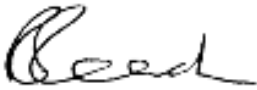
Call - 0300 555 1388

or

Scan the QR code below.

If you ever need to report a problem with the roads, you can do so by visiting www.hants.gov.uk/roadproblems

Yours faithfully,



Operation Resilience



Hampshire
County Council



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