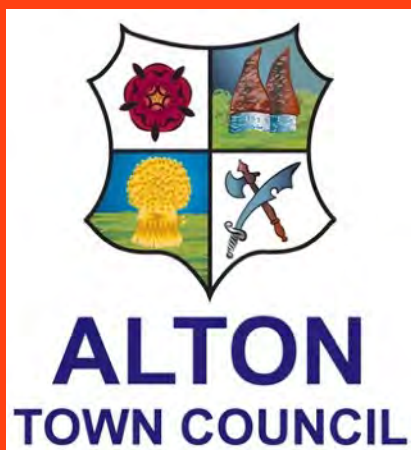




THE ALTONIAN WEEKLY

WEEK 30
24th August 2023

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

Message From The Town Hall

The Town Council is currently recruiting for a new Town Clerk and various roles on the Grounds Team.

Town Clerk

Alton Town Council is seeking a forward-thinking and proactive Town Clerk to take responsibility for all the Council's operations and 13 staff. The Town Clerk is expected to advise and assist the Council in forming and delivering all policies and strategies and to produce all the information required for making effective decisions. They will also ensure that those decisions are implemented and that the Council meets all legal requirements. The person appointed will be accountable to the Council for the effective management of all resources.

For further details and an application pack please go to <https://www.alton.gov.uk/vacanciesandelections/>

Grounds Team

There are various roles available:

1. Groundsperson
2. Senior Groundsperson
3. Open Spaces Site Operative

For further details please go to <https://www.alton.gov.uk/vacanciesandelections/>



**IS YOUR ORGANISATION
LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS?**

IS YOUR BUSINESS RECRUITING?

**DO YOU PROVIDE
WORK-RELATED TRAINING?**

Come and meet up to 400 enthusiastic people
at New Directions on Friday 27 October

To book a place to exhibit for FREE at the event,
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New Directions is a tailor-made event for people looking to make a change - whether that's a new career, a new challenge or learning a new skill.

We need organisations who have exciting new opportunities to offer to come forward and take part in the day.

Anyone looking to exhibit should contact business@easthants.gov.uk

Alton FlavourFest 2023



Flavours from around the world will be served up at Alton FlavourFest, as the town hosts its annual free food and drink festival from 11am to 4pm on Sunday 3 September.

Alton's Public Gardens will play host to more than 50 artisan food, drink and street food stalls, cookery demonstrations, live music on the bandstand and fun children's activities.

Hungry visitors can taste authentic street food from around the world, from Spanish paella to Neapolitan pizza, Greek delights to Thai treats. For those partial to a tippie, the festival hosts a garden gin bar, Somerset ciders, Hampshire ales and local liqueurs.

The festival also hosts lovingly created food and drink, created and sourced by leading producers from across the South East. Those with a sweet tooth will enjoy handmade chocolates, scrumptious cakes and bakes, New Forest shortbread and hand crafted desserts, while the savoury stalls will offer freshly baked bread, charcuterie, pies, chilli sauces, jams and chutneys, and much more!

Over at the live cookery demonstrations, there's lots to discover with The Natural Cook Company, as they share their best tips and recipes.

Hot on the heels of the grown-ups, children can enjoy face painting and free children's crafts. Entrance to the festival is free.

Further information is available online at www.facebook.com/altonflavourfest or contact Jenny Atherton, Fuse Projects, 07527 596701 or jenny@fuseprojects.co.uk.

Generously sponsored by:



Fun Fridays



Free Children's Entertainment

2.00pm - 3.00pm
Public Gardens, Alton

Friday 25th August 2023



Authentic French Market

An illustration of the Eiffel Tower in the center, surrounded by stylized fireworks. Below the tower are large, flowing waves in the colors of the French flag (blue, white, and red).

Alton
HIGH STREET
Sat 26th August
9am-5pm

FRANCE AT HOME
www.franceathome.com
fahmarkets@gmail.com

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Alton's Classic Car Show 2023



Alton town centre is gearing up for the excitement and colour of the race track when the chequered flag comes down on Saturday, 16 September, for the 2023 Alton Classic Car Show.

Organised by Alton Lions Club (CIO), this year's show will bring all the glamour and razzmatazz of 'Motorsport' to the town centre, supported by a market, a display of electric vehicles, live music, and on-street family entertainment.

Alongside a diverse and impressive range of classic vehicles there will be exhibits showcasing Formula 2 and 3 racing cars, Austin Healey 3000s, Camberley Kart Club, Tongham Car Club's Racing Bangers, Nija Karts for kids, and racing bikes.

A road closure will be in force from 7am to 6pm throughout the day and will cover the High Street, from its junction with Church Street to the Drayman's Way entrance to Lady Place Car Park, and including Market Street, Market Square, Turk Street and Cross & Pillory Lane.

This year a number of classic cars will be taking part in a pre-show Rally before arriving in the town centre to join the show that will be open to visitors from 10am to 4pm.

Any profits from this year's Alton Classic Car Show will go to support the charity Young Lives vs Cancer.

For further information and to register your vehicle visit the website:

altonclassicarshow.co.uk



Alton Repair Café

FREE!
Donations appreciated

Bin it? No way!

NEXT SESSION

Saturday 2nd September
10.30 – 12.30
Alton Community Centre

Our volunteers offer free help with repairs to
Clothes & textiles • Electronics
Mechanical • Small Electrical
Furniture • Bikes

One item each please.

Part of the global **Repair Café** movement





IS ALTON PREPARED FOR THE NEXT HEATWAVE?

LOOKING BACK ON 2023 & FORWARD TO 2024

JOIN OUR OPEN FORUM

Hear from experts in public health and the built and natural environment, discover practical solutions to making our homes and gardens resilient, and find out how we can keep ourselves safe in the climate crisis.



THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 7TH 7.30PM
ALTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, GU34 1HN

Bar open from 7pm

For further event information: altonclimatenetwork.org.uk



OUTDOOR CINEMA

TOP GUN MAVERICK

SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER
6:30PM, TRELOAR'S, ALTON

Join us for a special movie night under the stars!

ADULT TICKETS: £16
U16 TICKETS: £9

Food, snacks and drinks available to purchase.

Tickets available at:
WWW.TRELOAR.ORG.UK/EVENTS
01420 547 477




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Come and join us.

Allotment Open Day and Fundraising for MacMillan Cancer Support

Sunday 3rd September, 10.00am to 12.30pm

Wooteys/Spitalfields Allotments (Enter via Edward Road Gate)

Spend time looking around the Allotments and enjoy tea/coffee and cake in aid of MacMillan.

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In aid of MacMillan Cancer Support,

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Autumn Walking Festival

COMING SOON...Alton's Autumn Walking Festival will be from Monday 16th October - Sunday 22nd October.

After the success of our month long walking festival in May, we are excited to announce a selection of our popular walks from May will be included. This gives another opportunity to join in (as we know some people missed out as the waiting lists for these walks were quite long), so do make sure you register to receive updates.

If you haven't previously registered to receive information about our Walking Festivals please click on the below link and register to receive updates about all our walking festival and be the first to know when bookings are open.

<https://forms.gle/dxjeftkG3wCWQbK86>

Thank you to all our amazing walk leaders for offering to lead walks during the Autumn Festival.

ALTON'S AUTUMN WALKING FESTIVAL

16th - 22nd
October 2023

Simply The Best

Featuring some of our most popular walks.

Local town tours including civil war and historic brewery trails.

Exploring trees, vineyards, practical map reading and foraging.

Photo credit: Alison Reynolds

Supported By:

All walks must be booked in advance:
www.walkalton.org.uk - 01420 83986 -
community@alton.gov.uk



COULD YOU WELCOME A UKRAINIAN FAMILY OR INDIVIDUAL INTO YOUR HOME?

DO YOU HAVE A SPARE ROOM OR TWO?

COULD YOU OFFER A SAFE PLACE TO PEOPLE COMING FROM UKRAINE?

East Hampshire hosts have welcomed more than 420 Ukrainians (200 families) to the district; the third most in Hampshire.

Could you join them?

All hosts will receive £500 per month from Hampshire County Council. Help is available from both Hampshire County Council and East Hampshire District Council in becoming a host and in supporting your Ukrainian family while they are staying with you.

If you would like to offer your home or property to Ukrainian families, please scan the QR code >>> to complete our expression of interest form.



For more information visit easthants.gov.uk/ukraine

To set up an informal chat about becoming a host, please contact ukrainesupport@easthants.gov.uk or call 07515 067057

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EAST HAMPSHIRE HOST
AFTER 15 MONTHS

"EVERYONE IS SO LOVELY AND WELCOMING, AND I FEEL A LOT OF SUPPORT FROM THE LOCAL COMMUNITY."

IRYNA, UKRAINIAN GUEST



Do I need a Power of Attorney?

You are invited to a FREE presentation on Lasting Powers of Attorney delivered by KJ Cox Solicitors with an opportunity to ask questions afterwards.

KJ Cox Solicitors was established by Kellie-Jayne Cox, a local solicitor with over 20 years legal experience.

Saturday 9th September 10:00 - 12:00

Brendoncare Alton, Adams Way, Alton, GU34 2UU

Interested? Book your place today!

For further information or to reserve your place please:
call 0300 303 4866 or email homes@brendoncare.org.uk

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VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDING SERVICE

We are looking for Volunteers in your Community

Could you be a 'Befriender'?

What will I be doing?

As a Volunteer Befriender your role will be to provide social companionship to patients who have a chronic or life limiting illness and who are isolated or lonely. Visiting patients in their own homes, you will help them to feel more supported and help to improve their emotional well-being and confidence.



How much time do I need to commit?

Just 2-hours a week, or less, can make a real difference to a patient living in your local community.

What support will I be given?

All relevant training will be given, as well as regular and on-going support and supervision.

Interested?

For further information contact Caroline Nash, Befriending Manager on: 01264 835293

Email: Caroline.Nash@hhft.nhs.uk

Interested volunteers will be invited to an informal interview and the role is subject to references, simple health checks and DBS clearance.

Andover War Memorial Hospital
Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital
Royal Hampshire County Hospital



Alton Climate Action Network



BOOT SALE

On Sunday 24th September, 7 - 11am

ACAN will have an **CARRR** corner at the regular Hillside Car Boot Sale, Basingstoke Road, GU34 4BH, by the Departure Lounge.

ACAN will be there to promote *reducing waste*, *reusing items* and *recycling*.

If you would like to have a stall under our banner, please contact Wendy on admin@altonclimatenetwork.org.uk



Respect, Protect and Enjoy the Countryside

The Countryside Code is guidance from Natural England and Natural Resources Wales to ensure that visiting the countryside is enjoyable for everyone sharing the space. They ask you to Respect, Protect and Enjoy. For further information on the code and a guide to what the different arrows on paths mean, please visit their site:

https://www.nationaltrail.co.uk/en_GB/countrysidecode/



RESPECT

- Be considerate to those living, working and enjoying the space
- Leave gates how you find them
- Follow signs and keep to marked paths

PROTECT

- Take your litter home with you
- Always keep dogs under control and in sight
- Care for nature, do not cause damage or disturbance

ENJOY

- Check your route and the local conditions
- Plan your adventure, know what to expect and what you can do
- Enjoy your visit, have fun and make memories

Beware of Rogue Traders

A cold caller may offer you a service you don't really need. They may claim to have noticed something about your property that needs work or improvement and offer to fix it for cash or an inflated price.

Rogue Traders often ask for a payment upfront in order for the work to be carried out. They may convince you to withdraw money for payment while they set up. Often they will identify additional work, requiring further payment.

Always Remember:

- **Don't feel pressured.** Don't agree to hand over money at the door, take time to think about it and talk to someone you trust.
- **Check their credentials.** You should always check someone's identity, a genuine person won't mind. Never use the contact details they give you to check.
- **Don't feel embarrassed about turning someone away.** Only let someone in if you are expecting them or they're a trusted friend, family member or professional.
- **Never disclose your PIN.** Don't let anyone persuade you to hand over your bank card or withdraw cash on your behalf.

Reporting online harassment and abuse in sport



Online abuse, which includes bullying and harassment, can have a profound impact on athletes' mental wellbeing and performance. Recognising the rising impact of this issue, Report Harmful Content has launched an awareness campaign to empower individuals across the UK to stand against online harassment in sport, and report harmful content through established channels. Visit the [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) for more details.

Our Volunteer Police Cadets need you!

The Volunteer Police Cadets scheme provides a safe environment where young people can learn as individuals, develop positive relationships with the police and actively support the community.

Volunteering your time as a Cadet Leader is a very personally rewarding thing to do. It will enable you to develop your skills to inspire young people to become good citizens. There are opportunities to become a leader no matter how many hours a week / month you are able to volunteer and you will receive training to support you to develop your own knowledge and skillset.

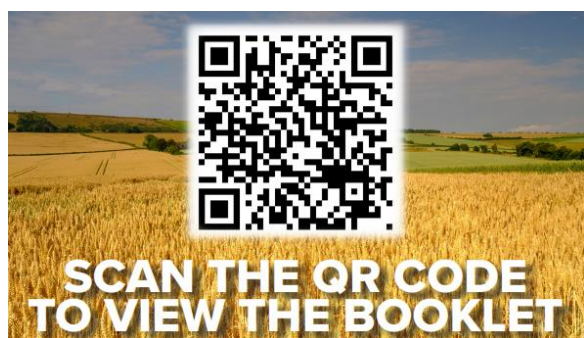
If you would like more information on the role or have any questions, please visit the [Volunteer Police Cadet scheme page of our website](#)

Volunteer Police Cadets



Rural Crime Prevention Advice

The Police and Crime Commissioner and Hampshire and IOW Constabulary have created an electronic crime prevention booklet for those living and working in the rural areas of our counties.



Business Cybersecurity and Fraud Summit

Police and Crime Commissioner Donna Jones, is hosting a cybersecurity and fraud event exclusively for businesses on the 16th October. It will bring together national, regional and local agencies to raise awareness of threats and how you can protect yourself. Please book your place through [Eventbrite](#).

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