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Remembrance Service - Bovey Tracey



Uniformed organisations will parade from Abbey Road to the Church of St Peter, Paul & Thomas of Canterbury on Sunday 12th November 2023. The parade will depart around 9.30am to arrive at the church for the 10.00am church service. The wreath laying ceremony will take place at approximately 11.00am at the Town War Memorial.

Christmas Lights Switch-on - Saturday 2nd December 2023

Bovey Tracey Carnival will host a Christmas Market to support the switching on of the town's Christmas Lights.

The Christmas Market will take place in Fore Street on Saturday 2nd December 2023 between 2pm – 6pm and the lights will be switched on at 5pm.

There will be stallholders, food, music and a Santa's grotto.



Fairtrade

Bovey Tracey has successfully maintained its status as a Fairtrade Town and the Town Council has confirmed its support for Fairtrade and the Mayor Cllr Sheila Brooke thanks the community for its continuing commitment to ensuring third world farmers who provide us with our teas, coffees, chocolate sugars, as well as many other items are paid a fair price for the work.



New Councillors Co-opted



Lisa Robillard Webb

Lisa Robillard Webb is a new co-opted town councillor for Heathfield. Lisa is a community worker and is keen to hear your views so that she can support you and your neighbourhood. Please contact Lisa at lisa.robillardwebb@boveytracey.gov.uk



Hannah Mills-Brown

Hannah Mills-Brown is a newly co-opted councillor for Heathfield. I am hoping to bring something new to the council and make a real impact in the community. Though I live in Bovey, I am particularly keen to ensure that Heathfield ward is central in future council work. If you would like to reach out, I would welcome your comments via email Hannah.mills-brown@boveytracey.gov.uk

Repairs to the riverbank

In June, we repaired the erosion to the riverbank in Mill Marsh Park. The erosion had been getting steadily worse and needed to be addressed. We've used sustainable and sympathetic materials to protect this important environment and made sure the work was complete ahead of the traditional last day of summer term splash down for the children.

New shelter in MMP

We opened the new covered shelter in Mill Marsh Park on the 30th September. This project started life with the young people of Bovey Tracey and the Youth Café. We thank District and County Councillors as well as the Almshouse Trust for funding towards the project. We are sure it will be used by everyone in bad weather, but particularly our young people will have somewhere dry available to shelter.

Anti-social behaviour

We are working with multiple agencies to try to address some of the anti-social behaviour that the community has experienced recently. We are working with our PCSO and the Youth Café to mitigate ASB in the community.

Longston Cross granite sign

On 15 August, the 78th anniversary of VJ Day, the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Martyn 'Taff' Evans, welcomed residents of the Longston Cross development and others who had gathered at the entrance to the new estate, to a ceremony to unveil a granite sign recording that the estate's road names were those of men on the town's 2nd World War memorial. The sign was unveiled by David Beer, from Eastbourne, nephew of Private Harold Beer who had lived at 7 Moor View and was killed on D Day. Harold's name may be found on the war memorial and he is now further commemorated by the road name Beer Grove at Challabrook.

The ceremony was organised by the Bovey Tracey Heritage Trust, took place in the presence of the town's Army Cadet Force detachment and the Bovey and Newton Abbot Royal British Legion standards. Dartmoor National Park kindly donated a granite block for the sign and the Bovey Tracey Town Trust and Devonshire Homes, the developer, generously shared the cost of its manufacture. Four years ago, a similar sign was erected on the Bradley Bends development where the road names use surnames of men on the town's Great War war memorial.

Hedgehogs and wildlife

Bovey Tracey Town Council promotes natural environments, priority habitats and species in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Hedgehogs encourage other wildlife. Residents and town councillors met at the end of September to share ideas about how we may protect and encourage hedgehogs in our gardens and public spaces, tips will be shared for households

We would like the public to come forward to help us plot hedgehog sightings at our stand at the Christmas market. For more information please contact;
sue.simmons@boveytracey.gov.uk or steve.oldrieve@boveytracey.gov.uk

New Town Council website & Events page!

Bovey Tracey Town Council has a new website which went live this Summer and is now available at www.boveytracey.gov.uk or scan the QR code



The website has been designed to be user friendly and easy to navigate and its focus is Town Council activities and has an Events page, a one stop shop for all things happening locally.

Add an event! If you have an event or activity that you would like to go on our events page on the website, please scan the QR code or visit www.boveytracey.gov.uk/Signup/event/

Budget & Precept Setting for 2024/25

Bovey Tracey Town Council is about to start the process of considering options for setting of the budget from 1st April 2024. The budget options will initially be considered by the Town Council's Finance, Resources & General Purposes Committee in January, the recommendations from which will be further considered and approved at a meeting of the Full Council on the 22nd January 2024. If you wish to put forward items or projects for consideration will require funding during the next financial year which are within the Town Council's remit, or you would like to review the options being considered, please contact the Town Clerk email: info@boveytracey.gov.uk

Members of the Town Council's Finance, Resources & General Purposes Committee will be holding drop-in sessions online and in person at the Riverside Community Centre and we invite any members of the community to come in and chat about any ideas you might have which may require funding over the next 12-18 months, dates and times as follows:

Friday, 27th October 2:00pm - 3:00pm;

In-person @ Riverside Community Centre

Wednesday, 1st November 6:00pm – 7:00pm;

on-line – Please email info@boveytracey.gov.uk to request a zoom link to join the meeting.

Thursday, 2nd November 6:00pm – 7:00pm;

on-line – Please email info@boveytracey.gov.uk to request a zoom link to join the meeting.

Friday, 3rd November 2:00pm - 3:00pm;

In-person @ Riverside Community Centre

Coronation King Charles III

A tree to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III will be planted on Thursday 2nd November 2023 at 11am in Mill Marsh Park. You are welcome to come and join the Town Mayor, Sheila Brooke and the friends of Mill Marsh Park for this event.



20 mph for Bovey Tracey and Heathfield parish?

The Town Council are currently consulting the public collecting your views on a 20mph speed limit for some areas of Bovey Tracey and/or Heathfield parish and will then consider an application to Devon County Council for the scheme.

A lower speed limit reduces accidents, injuries, noise pollution and increases in walking and cycling over time. Research shows a lower speed limit adds one to two minutes per journey.

We are currently collecting your views at events like the Nourish Festival, online through a survey available here (<https://www.boveytracey.gov.uk/>) & on our Facebook page, and a print copy of the survey can be completed at Bovey Tracey Library. We would appreciate hearing your views.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October/November – Bovey Tracey Town Council Budget Setting Process Drop-In Sessions as follows:

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Friday, 3rd November 2:00pm - 3:00pm; In-person @ Riverside Community Centre

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Thursday 2nd November – Coronation Tree Planting Event, Mill Marsh Park, Bovey Tracey.

Sunday 12th November – Remembrance Sunday, Bovey Tracey.

Saturday 2nd December – Christmas Market 2-6pm & Christmas Lights Switch On 5pm, Bovey Tracey

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RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CENTRE OPENING HOURS:

Town Council: Mon-Fri 9am-2pm

Library: Mon: Closed | Tue: 10am-6pm | Wed: Closed

Thu: 10am-5pm | Fri: 10am-1pm | Sat: 10am-1pm

Information Centre: Opening times vary throughout the year -
Please telephone 01626 832047

Forthcoming Town Council Meetings

You are welcome to join any of the council's meetings. All meetings usually take place in the Riverside Community Centre, please email info@boveytracey.gov.uk if you would like to come along.

Monday 30 th October 2023	Planning & Environment Committee	6.15pm
	Finance, Resources & General Purposes Committee	7.00pm
Monday 13 th November 2023	Full Council	7.00pm
Monday 27 th November 2023	Planning & Environment Committee	6.15pm
Monday 11 th November 2023	Planning & Environment Committee	6.15pm
	Recreation, Parks & Property Committee	7.00pm