



Riverside Community Centre - Update



Towards the end of March 2020, work ceased on site due to the Covid19 pandemic, following which work recommenced on 3rd May and continues to gather momentum. The subsequent revised date that the building is expected to be handed over to Bovey Tracey Town Council is scheduled for 1st September 2020.

Following a competition to seek names for the centre, numerous suggestions were received and shortlisted and considered by Councillors at a remote Full Council meeting in June where it was agreed to name the building 'Riverside Community Centre'.

Monthly progress reports continue to be available to download via
<https://www.boveytracey.gov.uk/Community-Centre-Building/Town-Council/>

Rural Skip Service - CANCELLED

The Rural Skip service which was due to come to Bovey Tracey on Saturday 19th September 2020 has unfortunately been cancelled and is not due to be re-scheduled.

New Town Mayor, Deputy Town Mayor and Representative of the Lord of the Manor for 2020/21

At the remote Annual Meeting of the Town Council in May 2020, Council members elected a new Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor



Cllr Sheila Brooke

is elected as Town Mayor



Cllr Debbie Fletcher

is elected as Deputy Town Mayor

May we take this opportunity to congratulate both Councillors being elected in to their new roles, whilst at the same time thanking our outgoing Town Mayor, Cllr George Gribble for his hard work and commitment during his recent term of office.



The Representative of the Lord of the manor is awarded to a Bovey Tracey or Heathfield resident who has made a significant voluntary contribution to the Parish of Bovey Tracey over the past 10-years or more.

Colin Back received the award for his outstanding service to the residents of the New Park community over several years as a committee member then Chairman of the New Park Residents Association. Colin received several nominations from New Park residents for the much-appreciated help he has given them on both personal and official issues, while organising events, outings, functions, and an annual fête, plus editing a monthly magazine for residents. Colin has helped establish New Park as a united and caring community within the parish of Bovey Tracey.

Saving Devon Treescapes

A proposal was put forward by the Climate Emergency Bovey & Heathfield (CEBH) team for a partnership initiative with Devon Wildlife Trust (DWT) to plant and nurture trees outside of woodlands to replace the large numbers of Ash trees being killed by Ash dieback. The proposal is to plant native species or fruit trees in the council owned Rendells Meadow and grassed area at the junction of Le Molay-Littry

Way and Churchfields Drive. However, before a decision is made to proceed, the Council would like to receive your feedback around the proposals. Details of the proposals and a link to the online survey can be viewed by visiting <https://www.boveytracey.gov.uk/Latest-News/Local-Information/>

Please respond to the proposals by 14th September 2020 with your views.

Park Litter Bins



Due to the amounts of excess rubbish being left in Council parks and open spaces, we would like to remind park users that if you're having a picnic or takeaway in the park, please take your litter home. We are unable to continue to resource the increased waste collection frequency that

we are having to undertake at the present time which is incurring additional significant costs for the Council. Separately, the Council will be considering changes to its current waste disposal processes and ways to reduce the amount of rubbish, e.g. bins to separate recyclables.

Covid19 Hardship Fund

Following the success of the volunteer work undertaken by the Bovey Parish Coronavirus Action Group, which to date has supported in excess of 600 vulnerable residents within the parish, Bovey Tracey Town Council is seeking to operate a Hardship Fund to help those in need in the Bovey Parish area created by the Coronavirus crisis.

The Hardship Fund seeks to ensure that vulnerable residents and those in serious need get the support and urgent assistance they require during the Coronavirus emergency.

A number of offers have been made through the Bovey Parish Action Group Helpline from parishioners who have benefitted from the volunteer service and wished to make a financial donation to support the scheme.

If anyone wishes to make a financial donation to the fund (attracting Gift Aid) they can now do so online via www.boveytracey.gov.uk and click 'donate'.

Other payment methods are available and for further details, please contact the Town Clerk (email: info@boveytracey.gov.uk or telephone 01626 834217).



The Community Kitchen

Although the cafe is temporarily closed to accommodate Covid regulations - other things are happening.

We have set up a Food Hub for the Bovey area to support anyone who needs help with food. Such as a 'top up' delivered food parcel with kitchen staple products such as tea, milk, sugar, coffee, soup, tinned fish, cooking oil, pasta, sauces, rice etc. This support is for single people, couples and families.

We cook, sell and deliver weekly a large range of healthy ready meals and desserts to over 200 regular clients. Delivery of any order of over 4 meals is free. Call 01626 836899. We are a Social Enterprise Community Interest Company so every penny goes back into supporting our members

and ready meal clients through subsidised food where needed.

We are supported in our work by the Bovey Parish Coronavirus Action Group and helped by over 40 local volunteers who prepare and cook the food, deliver it to our South East Dartmoor community, help with our foodbank deliveries, and deliver emergency meals or food parcels.

The circumstances we are finding ourselves in are challenging for everyone. If you need help do not hesitate to ask. To access food help - phone The Community Kitchen on 01626 836899.

Please support your community by making a donation or by getting involved as a volunteer.

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Forthcoming Town Council Meetings

For the immediate future, all of the following meetings will take place remotely via Zoom.

7th September 2020

(Planning & Environment Committee followed by Finance, Resources & General Purposes Committee)

22nd September 2020

(Full Council)

5th October 2020

(Planning & Environment Committee)

19th October 2020

(Planning & Environment Committee followed by Recreation, Parks & Property Committee)

2nd November 2020

(Planning & Environment Committee followed by Finance, Resources & General Purposes Committee)