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The magazine for Elstree & Borehamwood residents

Families Day Weekend

25 & 26 June 2022

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Sunday 26 June

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Free coach trips to Brighton for NHS staff

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Hear ye! Hear ye!

Letter from the mayor...

Thank you so much for the honour of being chosen to be Mayor of Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council for 2022/23.

I am really looking forward to exciting things that are coming up. We have five days of fun for the Queen’s Jubilee, starting with street parties on 2 June and the lighting of the beacon on our very own Village Green, Woodcock Hill. All the beacons around the country will be lit at 9:35pm on instructions from Buckingham Palace.

Friday 3 June will be a Jazz Evening and Saturday and Sunday 4 and 5 June there will be music in Meadow Park.

And of course our Town Civic Festival for two weeks starting on 11 June and lots to come throughout the year.

Looking forward to meeting everyone at these events.

Thank you

Cllr Sandra Parnell
Mayor of Elstree and Borehamwood

For mayoral enquiries please email the mayor’s secretary at admin@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk



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All Saints Cemetery
Advance warning!

Essential improvement works will be carried out in All Saints Cemetery in the Summer/ Autumn of 2022.

This will result in some disruption/access to the site. Notices with more details will be posted closer to the time on the churchyard railings and online. The improvements will include a new path which will be suitable for push/wheelchairs.

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Compost Corner

Bee Aware

With bee numbers on the decline, Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council has provided safe areas for bee hives to be situated on all three of its allotment sites.

As well as providing the delicious honey we so love, bees are essential to our human existence. When they are collecting pollen, nectar and water from flowers for food, they pollinate three quarters of all crops. Without them and other pollinating insects, the food chain is under threat.

Bees are continually under threat due to loss of habitat, the changes in weather conditions with wetter, colder spring and summer months, parasitic mites that decimate hives and nests, as well as use of pesticides.

To make your garden (and allotment) more bee-friendly you can do several things:

- Provide water in the form of a pond, bird bath, or pot – necessary for diluting honey stores, and for cooling the hive or nest in summer;
- Plant single-flowering plants – mint (all herbs), beans, plants from allium family, asters, sunflowers, hollyhocks, foxgloves, and learn to love dandelions!
- Choose plants that will provide a succession of flowers for as long as possible;
- Leave flowering plants in place – even ivy is an important source of late-season winter food.

Check out the British Beekeepers Association website www.bbka.org.uk for advice on bee-friendly trees and shrubs.

If you spot a swarm of bees, please let us know at the Town Council so we can put you in touch with one of our local beekeepers who is looking for new swarms.



Anne Nicodemus

Borehamwood and District Garden Craft Society

Our society is once again open for gardening business.

The Spring was welcomed by the appearance of some wonderful photos on the WhatsApp group page as members showed what was currently opening up in their own gardens and on windowsills and other protected places. Every day was a delight to see each other's bright Spring blooms, some a surprise and some different in shape and colour. All agreed that Spring excelled itself once more and cheered us all up after such a dismal past year.

The society held its Spring Show in Allum Hall on 4 April, and after

the long period of Covid-19-led bar on public gatherings, it was a great success, and an amazing number of blooms and plants were displayed. Our new RHS judge was delighted with the display of dazzling daffodils and assortment of spring flowers he inspected and happily awarded Daffodil of the Year to Lina Christova and Best in Show for a magnificent amaryllis displayed by Ann Shuker.

The Reverend Louise Collins kindly stepped in to present trophies and awards to other worthy recipients who filled the hall with glorious colour and scent and, as in the past years, continue to provide a magnificent locally grown spectacle at the seasonal shows for all to admire. Thank you for your hard work and contribution.

2022 will continue with events organised by the committee including garden visits, lunch meetings to discuss gardening, usually held at different venues. Transport can be arranged with committee members. Cooperative events are being arranged to join in with local Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Notices will be found on various boards in supermarkets, on FaceBook and on WhatsApp. If you can't access any of these please contact myself, Rose at 07960 530420. Membership forms are available from Ann Shuker 07973 184077 and Jenny Griffiths 020 8953 1762. Enjoy the summer gardens!

Rose Barry



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In 2021, Borehamwood Foodbank supported over 10,200 people with emergency food packages. We saw a 35% increase in need for our services.

Prior to the pandemic, many people coming to Borehamwood Foodbank for support were individuals, but Covid-19 has driven up demand from families.

That's why we're so grateful to the support we receive from Hertsmere Community Foundation, Tesco, and other businesses, as well as individual donors, which have meant we can arrange some fun activities at our family school lunch sessions over the school holidays.

Over the Easter break, we held two additional sessions, which had almost 60 children at each session. They had the opportunity to do some planting, play some games and dance. There were arts and craft activities and every child left with a delicious home cooked lunch, a food package and an Easter egg.

A huge thanks also to our kind-hearted volunteers who prepare for, cook for and host the sessions – we couldn't do it without them.

Kim Grey



Foodbanks and donors help the needy

Times are difficult for some families and individuals in Elstree and Borehamwood to put food on their respective tables due to the economic hardship they are faced with. Food insecurity and keeping warm are two challenges they are being confronted with. The situation is the result of the economic downturn and Covid-19 pandemic.

It is worth pointing out that all is not lost, given the generosity of donors to the three food banks, namely WD6 Food Support, Gratitude Food Bank and Borehamwood Food Bank. The foodbanks are strategically located in various parts of Borehamwood where they distribute food, sanitary items and clothing, among other essential products to the needy throughout the year.

To begin with, WD6 Food Support serves about sixty-plus families on a weekly basis. The food bank is opened twice a week on Wednesday and Friday from 3:15pm - 4:30pm throughout the year. The users of the service can walk in and are self referred. This food bank also gives toys to children and a whole turkey per family during the Christmas holidays. They can be located at Parkside Community Primary School on Aycliffe Road.

Gratitude Food Bank is open to the public daily from 10am - 5pm.

People are self referred and are given fruit, vegetables, sanitary items and clothes. It has a 'babies corner' with nappies and other accessories for babies and toddlers. The founders of the food bank divulged: "Gratitude Food Bank resulted from the biblical story of Jesus Christ's feeding of the five thousand people." Their location is 289 Shenley Road.

It is also great to mention Borehamwood Food Bank which is part of the Trussel Trust. This food bank helps local people in crisis with emergency food for three days per visit. Both perishable and non perishable foods are distributed. During the holidays, hot meals are prepared for those who use their services. Additional services are provided in collaboration with other organizations such as the Citizen's Advice Bureau. Its policy is also self referral and it is opened eight times monthly in a calendar year. One can easily locate this food bank at Saint Teresa's Catholic church, 291 Shenley Road.

It is noteworthy that the above named food banks are doing a great job helping local needy people who are experiencing food poverty to get something to feed their families. Thanks are due to the many volunteers, donors and supermarkets who continue to reach out to their fellow human beings. Yes, indeed, all are geared toward assisting to alleviate hunger and deprivation in Elstree and Borehamwood.

Cllr Alpha Bird Collins, LLM



Elstree and Borehamwood NSPCC

We are holding a charity lunch on Wednesday 8 June 12:30pm for 1pm at The Imperial China Restaurant, Elton Way Watford WD25 8HH, with guest speaker Hazel Bermange on her career with Dior. Tickets £30.

The lovely gardens of Schopwick House will be the setting for our garden party with stalls, teas and live music on Sunday 24 July 2pm to 5pm, with thanks to Ann and Norman Shuker. Entry free.

Finally the November craft fair will be held on Sunday 6 November 10:30am to 3:30pm in Allum Hall with live music from local musicians headed by Borehamwood Brass and Paul Lomax on guitar. There will be a wide range of craft and gift stalls and refreshments including the famous Chinese lunches. Entry free.

All proceeds, hopefully large now that Covid-19 restrictions are lifting, go to the work of the NSPCC.

Lunch Tickets obtainable from Ann Goddard. 020 8953 1436 or anngoddard999@hotmail.com or committee members.

Penniwells

Penniwells RDA Centre provides riding and stable management sessions to people of all ages and disabilities.

With over 80 riders attending each week they are totally reliant on the support of volunteers to help with leading the ponies and walking next to the riders. More volunteers are desperately needed in order to keep the sessions going and give the opportunity of riding to more adults and children from the local area.

Please do get in touch if you have an hour or two to spare and would like to come along to help out. penniwellsrda@outlook.com or 020 8207 4525. www.penniwellsrda.com



NSPCC
Elstree & Borehamwood District

Summer Lunch

on Wednesday 8 June 2022
12.30 for 1pm till 3pm
at
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School News

Cowley Hill Primary School

Support for Ukraine through the Sunflower Appeal

When the conflict started in Ukraine many members of our community asked what we could do to help the people who are affected.

We teamed up with our local church, St Michael & All Angels, and worked with the Revd Louise Collins to plan how we could help. After some investigation she shared the Sunflower Appeal with us. Within one week our children and families had come together and sent in a variety of items that would support families affected by the conflict within the countries bordering Ukraine.

Our donations made their way to the centre in Willesden and then directly by lorry to the refugee sites. We were really pleased to be able to help and know that we have played our part in supporting others.



Foodbank

The children of Cowley Hill continued to support local families at Christmas by making lovely boxes of cheer.

These hampers contained special Christmas foods and a game for families. A personalised card made them extra special. The weight of the food was a fantastic 67.47kg and we collected a huge £203 to allow the food bank to buy items that they were short of. Well done Cowley Hill community.

International week 7 to 11 February

7 to 11 February was "International week" which provided us with the opportunity to celebrate and recognise our diverse school and our individual identities.

Our week started with an assembly delivered by our wellbeing ambassadors and school council members as they explored diversity and equality with pupils.

During the week, each class engaged with exciting learning activities such as food tasting, dancing and music, art, games and listening to different stories. Each class explored different countries and learnt about different famous international artists, creating fantastic art pieces.

We then had a whole school international dress up day where pupils came dressed in traditional clothing or colours representing their identity, home flags or their class country focus.



VegFest 2022

Members of our eco warrior team, from upper key stage 2, worked with a VegFest representative to prepare our vegetable beds for the summer term.

They cleared the beds and planted onions and runner beans in preparation for the VegFest 2022 competition. They were pleased to see success from the Brussels sprout planting. We can't wait to see our produce as it grows. The eco warriors are planning on using the food that we grow to cook for our after school club. They are exploring ways to help with sustainability.



The Queen's Jubilee

We are very pleased to announce that every pupil at Cowley Hill has recently participated in an activity for the Rotary Club's celebration of the Queens Jubilee.

The children created their own pennants which will be displayed across parks, streets and open areas in Borehamwood during the celebration. The children have used a range of media in their art lessons for their wonderful creations. Well done to all of the children for their excellent work.

Kenilworth Primary School

We are very busy at Kenilworth School developing our outdoor learning environment. We have recently been joined by goats, chickens and now ducks in the early years. The pupils at Kenilworth are enjoying caring for these animals.

Miss Hardaker, the nursery teacher, reports 'Nursery are currently helping to look after the ducklings. The children are very interested in them and have learnt the word 'ducklings.' They watched them in their box where they dozed under the warming lamp. When the ducklings were out for us to have a closer look some of the children wanted to touch them. Learning to stroke gently rather than trying to pick up or poke a duckling was a bit tricky at times. The children can't wait to watch them grow over the next few weeks.'

Our eco-council have also been incredibly busy this half term, leading a campaign to raise funds for a new vegetable patch. They created an excellent fundraising video explaining why they feel Kenilworth needs a vegetable patch, and we would like to thank the community for all of their generous donations. Working with the Aviva community fund and local businesses we have raised £1500 and work will begin to create this patch over the course of the next few weeks.



Our junior travel ambassadors have also been busy promoting safe and active travel to and from school. They organised a fantastic week of activities during 'The Big Walk and Wheel' at the end of March, including a bling your bike competition and the return of our biker's breakfast - where the children came to school early to share breakfast together before cycling and scooting on the school playground. We had a lot of fun and learned how important it is to be active.



If you could go back in time!

When Cher first sang this in 1999, schools were not the same as they are today but in 1977 when I became a governor they were even more different.

At that time children sat in rows and a piece of chalk was all the technology a teacher needed. There were no white-boards, no computers and films were shown using a Kodak projector with reels of celluloid. The blackboard or an overhead projector were the central point of the room and children wrote with fountain pens. Homework was only done in secondary schools, girls did needlework and boys did woodwork.



The role of governors too, has changed remarkably. I became a governor because I wanted to support our community but our contribution, save one activity, was minimal. That one activity was and still is our most significant function, which is the appointment of the headteacher. There is nothing more important that we are involved in and which has the most long lasting effect. Unfortunately, this is more so if we get it wrong.

Governors only used to come to the school for three meetings a year. There were no committee meetings, learning walks or health and safety visits. It was very cosy, and I did not feel we were doing much worthwhile. It was only with the onset of OFSTED that the role of governors was put under scrutiny. In the last ten years the expectations and role of governors has catapulted forward such that their role is now recognised as fundamental for a good or better school.

If you are interested in becoming a governor and helping to make a difference, contact your local school or go to the website www.hertsforlearning.co.uk/business-services/governance

If you want to know more about being a governor contact me at geoff.strack@ntlworld.com

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

I feel very privileged to have the opportunity to lead St Teresa's as we await a new headteacher. As ever, school life has been busy with the inclusion of many enrichment activities.

In February, we had a special visitor to our school. Ms McBride, our previous headteacher, returned to watch the skateboarding workshops she had gifted to the children. The workshops were amazing and caused so much excitement.

The favourite move was the pancake flip. This involved putting the skateboard upside down and then turning it over by jumping onto it. Another popular trick consisted of sliding left and right whilst controlling the board, which had a strange name - 'goofy and regular'.



Our playground has been a place of great excitement this spring, with the installation of our new gym equipment. As well as being a big hit at playtimes, it has been used to support PE sessions.

Father Dominic, our parish priest, has been a regular school visitor again. Not only have we been able to go to church as a whole school community, we were able to take part in our traditional 'Spirituality Week' activities. These included varied prayer stations, stations of the cross and an end of term mass where our 'Apostles of Mercy' had their hands washed by Father Dominic.



We had highly successful 'World Book' and 'Shape' days where our whole community dressed up and celebrated their learning.



I am so proud of the St Teresa's community, who have participated in all the above and found time during Lent to fundraise for the Catholic Children's Society to support children in need in London. Internationally, they have also shown their support for Ukraine by wearing yellow and blue to school on Friday 25 March and building a Ukrainian flag of prayers.

*Jacque Tucker
Acting Headteacher*

Yavneh Primary School

A huge thank you to the Town Mayor, Councillor Farida Turner for giving up her time today to come and judge our first ever poetry recital at Yavneh Primary School (hopefully the first of many!).

We are very proud of all of our children who performed their poems so eloquently. Councillor Turner had such a wonderful, warm manner and her presence made this occasion so special for all staff and children.



Parkside Primary School

We have been delighted with the achievements of our children and the progress they have made both in and out of the classroom since the start of 2022.

Getting out and about

Trips are such an important aspect of a child's development, and we have been lucky to get these back underway. Year 1 have enjoyed visiting Mountfitchet Castle, while Year 2 managed to visit the Roman Baths in Welwyn and most recently we managed to take our school council to visit the Houses of Parliament for a tour and a workshop all linked to how our electoral system works. Future trips planned for the summer term also involve a whole school trip



to London to mark the Queen's Jubilee while the Year 6 children are looking forward to a trip to Jump In and Whipsnade Zoo. The school council are also looking forward to a visit from our local MP and co-chairman of the Conservative Party, Oliver Dowden.

Competitive sports

With the support of Mr Wanless, Miss Bowers and Mr Honour, the school continues to be heavily involved in sporting competitions. Linking with Queen's Secondary School has enabled us to take part in netball fixtures, a rapid-fire cricket tournament, a hockey tournament, tri golf events, tennis, athletics, and a dance festival scheduled for June for our Year 2 children. As of now (April 2022) 50 children from Year 3-6 have represented the school in a competitive event, which we will increase by the end of this academic year!

We have also taken part in many football fixtures. Most recently we participated in the annual Boreham Wood Football Club Schools Tournament which was a proud day for us, as both our girls' and boys' teams reached the semi finals. The girls also reached the semi finals in a recent tournament held at Monksmead School.

As I said to both teams, we are so proud of them, and they should hold their heads up high with how they represented the school and how well they played throughout the year.



Thank you for playing with pride and determination - it is a joy and a privilege to be able to take you to these tournaments and watch you progress, not only as players and a team but as individuals too.

A final thank you must also go to Boreham Wood Football Club for hosting a fantastic day of football for our local schools



Easter events and the WD6 Food Support

Just before our Easter break, the WD6 Food Support held an Easter poster competition alongside an Easter egg hunt which was tremendous fun for both the children and staff. Other activities included a design an egg competition which the whole school took part in.

The WD6 Food Support continue to support our community and is open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:15pm – 4:30pm. Parkside families can have access from 3:15pm directly after school. The support they offer is wonderful and they are always thinking about how they can work closer with us as a school. This year they have welcomed classes to come down and visit. They provided each child with an Easter egg during our Easter celebrations, and they are also looking to sponsor our sport teams in the future to maintain a close link with our school and local community.

Lives Not Knives workshop

Year 5 and Year 6 were visited this week by Hertfordshire Constabulary's Children & Young People Gangs and Schools' Team giving them the chance to have their input. PC Arnott and PC Ellis delivered an informative and fully interactive session about making positive choices, the reality of gangs, knife crime, anti-social behaviour, and online behaviour.

Drumming and ukulele workshop



The children of KS1 and lower KS2 had a great time playing the drums and the ukulele. Some children in years 1 and 2 became conductors and in years 3 and 4 they performed a very famous song. Well done to everyone involved.

*Mr L Wanless
Year 6 teacher and Head of social media*

Hertswood Academy



Celebrating success

The spring term at Hertswood Academy saw an array of trophies, medals and certificates awarded personally by Headteacher Peter Gillett, to students from every year group. This included our coveted student of the year awards, along with those for academic achievement, service above self, outstanding attitude to learning, and contribution to the school community.



Hundreds of students have also earned subject award pins to display on their blazers, to recognise incredible effort and achievement in a specific subject area.

We congratulate our students on their hard work and look forward to celebrating more successes in the summer term.



Oxford University STEM

In March we were part of a group of twelve Year 10 Hertswood students who were invited to Oxford University for an event encouraging women to take STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects. The day began with a lecture on prime numbers, including different theories and the research into finding pairs of primes.

We had a hands-on session using problem solving skills to solve maths problems before another lecture about the advantage of taking maths at university, and all the possible jobs it can lead to. Meeting some current Oxford students studying maths was really interesting, giving us a chance to find out the benefits and challenges of studying at a higher level.

The day ended with a lecture about climate change, including the



melting ice caps and how maths fits into a climatologist's job. We felt very inspired by the lectures we attended, which will help us to consider taking STEM subjects in the future.

Amy and Rose (Year 10, Hertswood Academy)

Supporting Refugee Action

Continuing a long history of charity work, Hertswood sixth form students James and Katerina (pictured with headteacher Peter Gillett) organised a cake sale at Halloween to raise money for Refugee Action, an organisation that helps refugees build safe, stable lives here in the UK.

Recently we were delighted to receive a certificate of recognition after Hertswood donated over £350 to this worthy cause, thanks to the efforts of our students. We would like to thank everyone who participated.



Young photographers

Each month Hertswood Academy holds a photography challenge, with topics such as exploration, friendship, and daffodils. Our photography team are delighted at the wonderful submissions we get for these challenges, with the winning students earning prizes and house points.

Some of our students also took a trip to Kew Gardens for some further floral photography, and we are pleased to be able to share some of their pictures.



Aidan (Y9)



Ella (Y7)



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Music in the Wood



Borehamwood Brass is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year



The band was originally formed in 1971. It grew and became a prize-winning brass band, and carried on to become the band as we know it today – a community brass band for the town of Borehamwood and Elstree. We still have some of the original members, who started playing as young lads back in 1971.

Thanks to Covid-19, we weren't able to mark the anniversary in the way we hoped in 2021, so we are celebrating the anniversary at our Summer Concert in All Saints church. This will be a free concert during the summer festival week, so everyone is welcome to come and see us there.

Andrew Grady



Dates for your diary

We'll be performing in and around the Borehamwood area during the summer. Here are the dates and venues where you can come and see and hear the band.

Thursday 2 June

We'll be at the beacon-lighting ceremony for the celebrations of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, on Woodcock Hill Village Green. This will take place in the evening from 8pm.

Sunday 5 June

See Borehamwood Brass at the Jubilee Celebration parish service in the Meadow Park entertainment area from 2:30pm.

Friday 17 June

The Civic Festival concert, marking the official celebration of the band's 50th Anniversary. At All Saints' church, Shenley Road, from 8pm. Admission is free.

Sunday 26 June

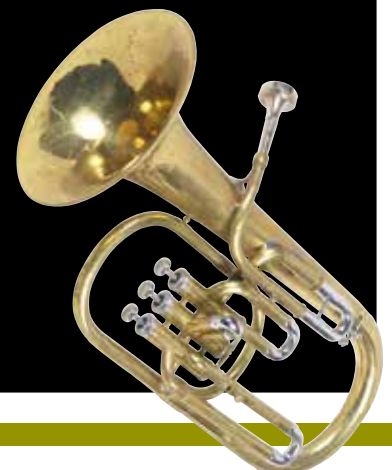
See Borehamwood Brass at the Meadow Park entertainment area, 3pm.

Sunday 24 July

We'll be at the NSPCC garden party, at Shopwick Place, Elstree from 1:30pm to 4pm.

Do you play a brass instrument?

Why not join us? We have space for new members to play cornets, horns, tubas or percussion. Contact Andrew Grady at borehamwoodbrass@hotmail.com.



Elstree Mozart Players

Bringing Classical Music to the Wood



The Elstree Mozart Players was founded in 2018 by Derek Holland in partnership with Pat Strack and Andrew Grady.

The first concert of the 2022 season was held on Sunday 20 March. The theme of the concert was 'British Light Classics', a favourite of the resident musical director Derek Holland.

The concert included works by Eric Coates, Gustav Holst, Edward Elgar, Lionel Monckton, Haydn Wood, Peter Wilson, and Edward German.

Also included was a performance for World Women's Day of Ruth Gipps Horn Concerto with soloist Jo Withers, which belatedly celebrated International Women's Day.



Composer Peter Wilson came from his home in Greenwich to hear a performance of his Caribbean Carnival Tunes.

Thanks go to Phyllis Abrahams, Sandra Parnell, and Sam Covil, plus Sasha Capocci, Irmine Mason and Sylvie Scanlon for being the front of house team for the evening.

Town Mayor Cllr Farida Turner supported the concert, as she has done during her year in office.

The concert raised £100 for the Peace Hospice in Watford, and Borehamwood Foodbank.

The orchestral management would like to thank Allum Hall & Manor Trustees for their assistance in staging the concert in their hall.

The next concert will be on Sunday 12 June, in All Saints Church in Shenley Road, Borehamwood.

This concert will feature works by Rossini, Ireland, Weber, Mozart, and Beethoven. It will also include the first performance of a concertino for oboe and strings by John Wolfe, plus a Mansion House waltz by Peter Wilson.

This concert will be supporting the Ukrainian Crisis Appeal. Tickets £15; £12 concessions, and £10 in advance.

For anyone requiring tickets for the concert then please contact either Pat Strack on 020 8386 3151 or Andrew Grady on 07802 736628 or email elstreemozartplayers@outlook.com

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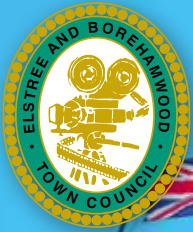
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SUMMER Coach Trips



Are you over sixty years of age and a resident of Elstree and Borehamwood? The Town Council is once again offering a chance to have a day out at the seaside or visit an interesting city for only £10.

Choose one of the listed destinations and bring your proof of age and residence (driving licence or bus pass/passport and a utility bill) along to Fairway Hall, Brook Close, WD6 5BT from Monday 6 June 2022.

Tickets are on a first come, first served basis and are on sale from 9am to 12noon from Monday to Friday -strictly one per person. Please bring correct change. There may be a chance to buy a second ticket after Monday 20 June 2022 if any remain unsold.

The fully air-conditioned coaches leave Fairway Hall at 9am prompt and depart the destination at 5pm for the return journey. You must be able to board the coach without too much difficulty and can bring a carer (who must also purchase a ticket).

Destinations		
July 2022	Monday 4	Southend
	Tuesday 5	Cotswolds
	Wednesday 6	Eastbourne
	Thursday 7	Clacton-on-Sea
	Monday 11	Bournemouth
	Tuesday 12	Broadstairs
	Wednesday 13	Brighton
	Thursday 14	Stratford-Upon-Avon
	Monday 18	Hastings
	Tuesday 19	Margate
	Wednesday 20	Chatham
	Thursday 21	Greenwich



Hastings



Cotswolds



Bournemouth

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Civic Festival & Summer Events



Queens Jubilee



Design By
Scarlett Strudwick
(Age 11)



Thursday 2 June

Beacon Lighting
8pm to 9.45pm
(Beacon Lighting at 9.35pm)

Woodcock Hill Village Green
Carrington Avenue,
Borehamwood, WD6 2HA

Entertainment from Borehamwood Brass
and a specially commissioned piece
performed by George McGregor.

Sunday 5 June

Party in the Park
12pm to 5pm

Meadow Park, Meadow Road,
Borehamwood, Hertfordshire,
WD6 1TL

Free Live Music, Free Kids Rides, Free
Tea, Coffee, and Cold Drinks.

Bring Your Own Picnic Chairs and
Blankets.



Saturday 11 June

EPLAYBILL
Fairway Hall



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Date
Sat 11th June 2:30 and 7:30
Sun 12th June 2.30

Price
£7.00 per person
www.ticketsource.co.uk/ep

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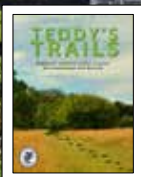
Sunday 12 June

Festival



Guided Walk
Sunday 12 June

The walk is free, but registration is essential.
Please register with
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Sunday 12 June

Elstree Mozart Players

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The Elstree and Borehamwood
Civic Festival 2022

**SUMMER
CONCERT**

Sunday 12 June 2022

at 7.30pm

All Saints Church

94 Shenley Road, Elstree & Borehamwood
Hertfordshire, WD6 1EB

Featuring Music By

Beethoven
Mozart
Weber
Ireland
Wolfe
Wilson

Tickets

£15.00

Concessions

£12.00

£10.00

(In Advance)

Including The First Performance of
Concertino for Oboe and Strings by John
Wolfe

Raising Funds
For The
Ukrainian Crisis Appeal



Tickets available on the door, or in advance from
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Grady on 07802 736628
or by E-mail elstreemozartplayers@outlook.com
www.elstreemozartplayers.co.uk

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Monday 13 June

Festival Chess Night

Free entry to play or watch

Monday 13 June 2022

7.30pm



FAIRWAY HALL

Brook Close, Borehamwood, WD6 5BT



Wednesday 15 June

Festival Guided Allotment Open Day

at

Melrose Allotments

Furzehill Road, Borehamwood, WD6 2EA

Wednesday 15 June

at

1pm

(Meet at the front gates)



Saturday 18 June



parkrun

Festival 5km Parkrun 2022

Saturday 18 June, 9am
Aldenham Country Park

To take part please register at
www.parkrun.org.uk/aldenham

Sunday 19 June

SUNDAY 19th JUNE 2022

ELSTREE & BOREHAMWOOD CLASSIC BUS RUNNING DAY & TRANSPORT BAZAAR

A special event to commemorate the centenary of bus services within the town organised by the Amersham & District Motorbus Society in conjunction with Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council and Allum Manor, Elstree.

Classic bus services will run between 1000 & 1630hrs from Allum Manor recreating former London Transport routes operated within the town linking the event with Barnet, Harpenden, St. Albans and Watford. Allum Manor is a two minute walk from Elstree & Borehamwood Station.



The Transport Bazaar will be situated within Allum Manor with free admission. Toilets and refreshments will also be available on site.



Details of services operating, full bus timetables and vehicle allocations are included in the event programme which will be available to order through our website approx. four weeks prior to the day, or, alternatively, can be purchased on the day at Allum Manor. Further updates will be made on the Amersham & District Motorbus Society's "Facebook" page and on our website.

www.amershammotorbussociety.co.uk

For more information, please visit www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Friday 17 June

Borehamwood Brass Anniversary Concert

Celebrating 50 years of brass music
in Elstree and Borehamwood



1971–2021



a programme of classic and light music
during the Civic Flower Festival

All Saints Parish Church, Shenley Road,
Borehamwood, Herts WD6 1EB

8pm Friday 17th June 2022

Admission Free — All Welcome!

And see the flowers in the church!

Saturday 18 and Monday 20 June

2022 Flower Festival

All Saints Church
Shenley Road
Borehamwood

Saturday 18 June

&

Monday 20 June

11am – 1pm



Monday 20 June

Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council
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Presents

George Gershwin
&

John Williams

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Music

Monday
20 June 2022

Allum Hall, Allum Lane, Elstree, WD6 3PJ

8pm

(Doors open at 7:30pm)

www.ticketsource.co.uk/ebtc

Tickets £8

BBC ELSTREE
CONCERT BAND



Tuesday 21 June

Festival



Tuesday 21 June
The Royal British Legion
7pm

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Champions and the Trophy Shield. It is
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or call 0208 207 1382 Alternatively, you
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our website.

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Wednesday 22 June



A Gala Night of Pure Entertainment

FAIRWAY HALL

Brook Close, Borehamwood, WD6 5BT

Wednesday 22 June

7pm

1st Prize £100

2nd Prize £75

3rd Prize £50

Tickets Only (Free)

(available from Fairway Hall)

If you think you have an entertaining talent, skill, or party piece we want to hear from you, young or old!

To register please contact Dan Salter on 020 8207 1382 or email: dsalter@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 June

Families Day Weekend

25th & 26th June 2022

Meadow Park

Circus Times

Free entry will be given out on a first come first served basis on the day.

Saturday 25th June Only

Saturday 25 June

12.30pm

1.45pm

3.00pm

5.00pm

Sunday 26 June

12.30pm

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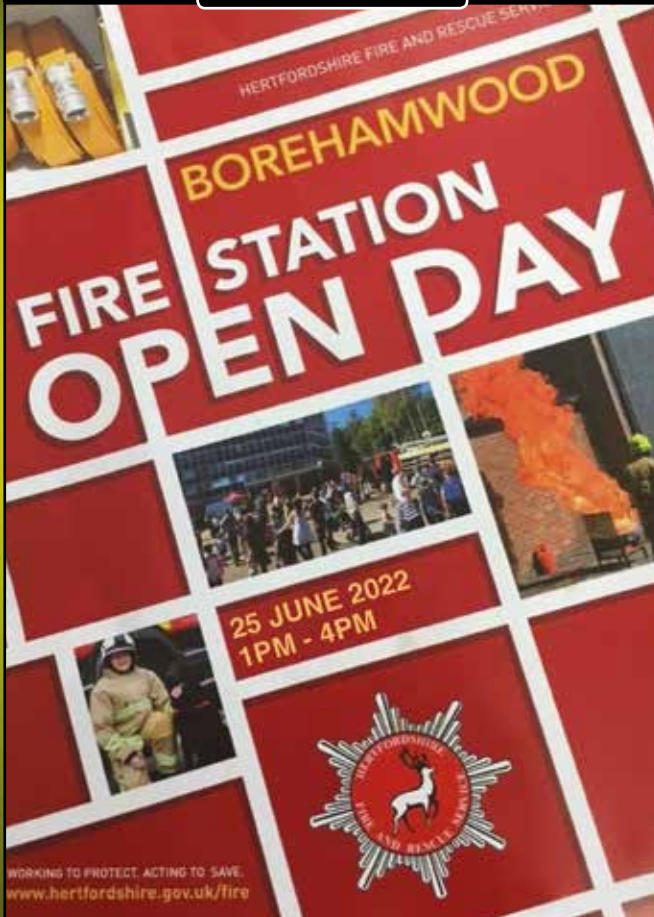


3pm

6pm



Saturday 25 June



Sunday 26 June

Meadow Park

FREE Brass Band Concerts 2022

Sunday 26 June

1pm **The Woodman**

2pm **Borehamwood Brass**

Sunday 3 July

2pm **Strummers in the Wood**

3pm **Welwyn Garden City Band**

Sunday 10 July

2pm **Writers in the Wood**

3pm **Watford Brass Band**

Sunday 17 July

2pm **Blue Grass Boys**

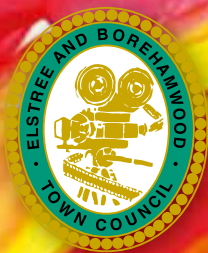
3pm **Hitchin Brass Band**

Please bring your own chairs and picnic blankets



Details correct at time of printing

For more information, please visit www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk



Free coach trips to Brighton for NHS staff

Thank you
NHS



Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council would like to say thank you to the NHS workers in the town for all their hard work during the pandemic by putting on six free coach trips to Brighton. Each NHS worker who lives in Elstree and Borehamwood will receive two complimentary tickets so they can bring a guest with them.

What you need to do

Choose one of the listed days and bring your NHS ID and proof of residence in Elstree or Borehamwood (driving licence, utility bill etc) along to Fairway Hall, Brook Close, WD6 5BT from Monday 30 May 2022.

Tickets are on a first come, first served basis and are available Monday to Friday. Each NHS worker is entitled to two free tickets on the day of their choice (subject to availability).

The fully air-conditioned coaches leave Fairway Hall at 9am prompt and depart Brighton at 5pm for the return journey.

For further information please contact Dan Salter on 020 8207 1382 or email at dsalter@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

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Thursday 4 August
Monday 8 August

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People run for many reasons. Be it for the weight loss benefits or because it has been known to improve mental health.

Why running?

All exercise will offer you an amazing array of health benefits. Running is particularly special for a few reasons.

Firstly, running is cheap. With running, there is no need to commit to an expensive gym contract and you don't have to pay instructors to teach you how to run. All you need to get started in the sport is a pair of well-fitting shoes and a water bottle.



Secondly, running will take up very little time in your day. Running a 5K takes as little as 30 minutes to do.

Health benefits from running a 5K

- Excellent cardiovascular exercise;
- Good for your joints;
- Helps you lose weight;
- Great for your social life;
- Great for your mental health;
- Affordable.

On Saturday 18 June the Town Council is supporting a special park run as part of the 2022 Civic Festival taking place at Aldenham Country Park. Why not sign up and give it a try? Please register at www.parkrun.org.uk/aldenham



What you need for a 5K run

Shoes

When it comes to running the difference between injury and happy jogging is a set of good running shoes.

Any good sports/running shop will have a fitting station and will be able to help you find the perfect pair for your running style.

Entertainment

Many people like to run whilst listening to audiobooks or podcasts. If this sounds like something that appeals to you then it will be worth investing in some good audiobooks.

Phone holder

To prevent damage to your phone it's recommended to have an arm-strap phone holder. This is also a great place to store your keys without having to worry about them.

Water bottle

Whilst drinking or eating a lot before a run can cause stitches, gently sipping whilst you are running can have the opposite effect.

It can also help reduce the pain of lactic acid burning in your body.

Maxwell Park Community Centre

Bright spacious hall available on Saturday afternoons for private hire.

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There's something for everyone!

See website for details - www.maxwellpcc.org

For private or regular hire please call: 020 8953 4295
or email info@maxwellpcc.org



Young people find brighter futures on the Kickstart scheme

Communities 1st have provided 67 jobs as a gateway organisation for the government’s Kickstart scheme. This scheme provides funding for employers to create jobs for 16-24 year olds receiving universal credit.

“I was out of employment for seven months and struggled to cover living costs in the absence of furlough. Finding a new job was especially hard with the heightened job competition.” – Jeremy Stace, 21 year old Kickstarter.

The Kickstart initiative provides an initial six-month paid job placement, allowing many non-profit organisations to carry out work they otherwise couldn’t afford. Communities 1st have themselves taken on seven Kickstart employees.

“The range of new young employees has breathed fresh air into our

workplace. It has enabled us to get going on projects which had been sat in the pipeline since before Covid.” - Lisa Smith, project co-ordinator at Communities 1st.

Urvashi joined Communities 1st as a Research and Innovation Assistant in April 2021. She has now gone on to permanent employment at another company.

‘I was able to gain truly valuable experience in this professional setting. The Kickstart scheme helped me gain the stability I needed within my professional career pathway. The Kickstart scheme will truly Kickstart your career!’

The scheme has not only reinvigorated the voluntary sector, but has helped kickstart hundreds of young people’s careers.



Jeremy, Kickstarter



Callan, Kickstarter

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"We have a laugh on the minibus, I am the doorman and I help the driver get everyone on and off the bus" Glyn, Hertsmere Mencap member

For more information please contact Karen on 07938 722619 or hdcomm@hertsmere Mencap.org.uk

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Hertsmere Mencap is a charity supporting 250 children and adults with learning disabilities. We help our members to feel valued, listened to and included.

We are looking for **volunteers** to help run our daily activities sessions. Our sessions run on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning from 10-11.30am and 11.30-1.30pm on a Thursday, in Borehamwood. You will join a lovely team of volunteers and will help us to run our activities successfully. You will make a real difference to our members who hugely enjoy our sessions.

"I have fun and enjoy being together with my friends, the activities stop me from being bored" Michael, Hertsmere Mencap member

"It brings me joy to be with the members and see them happy" Louise, Hertsmere Mencap volunteer

For more information please contact Karen on 07938 722619 or hdcomm@hertsmere Mencap.org.uk

New faces at Allum Manor

Despite so many months of lockdown and Covid-19 restrictions, time has not stood still at Allum Manor.

The final week of April saw us wishing Tony Battison, our centre manager, a long, happy and busy retirement. Tony joined us in 2011 and has served as centre manager for the past four years. Described as 'a legend' by our customers', Tony and his staff ensured that Allum Manor would continue to serve the community, even throughout the dark days of Covid-19 lockdowns.

Host the Gratitude Foodbank? No problem. Arrange for the Patient Assessment Centre to base itself in the car park? Yes, we can do that. Convert Allum Hall into a centre able to deliver 100,000 vaccinations in less than a year? Sure, why not?

And throughout that entire time Tony and his deputy, Samantha ('Sam') Affleck, also supported regular customers, helping rebuild their trust and confidence. Today more than 90% of them are back at Allum Manor.



What a tough act to follow, but we're pleased to welcome Sharon Downes, a local resident, to carry Allum Manor into the next stages of continued recovery and then increased growth for the future.

Our caretakers and the high quality service they provide for every meeting and every event are vital, and all at Allum

Manor were greatly saddened to lose Micheal ('Mick') Wickes, our head caretaker for 12 years, after a brief illness. A separate notice appears on this page. Mick's passing was a shock and a great loss to the many local groups who he had served so well over so many years.

We were very relieved when Terry Skutela, a caretaker for over five years with us, stepped up to the challenge to become our new head caretaker. Terry, aided by all the Allum Manor staff (including our newest recruit, Dean Ely), is supporting Sharon and Sam to ensure that customers are delighted with the support they receive from Allum Manor.

We ask you to welcome these new faces in our team and we rely on you to continue to expect such high levels of service.

Bob Redman



Micheal ('Mick') Wickes

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and all staff at Allum Manor, I am greatly saddened to tell you that our friend and colleague Micheal Wickes passed away on Saturday 15 January after a brief illness.

Micheal was our head caretaker for the past 12 years and a local hero to many. He was totally dedicated to serving customers and continued to do so even after his illness was diagnosed.

Dr. Alex Byrne, head of the federation of local GP practices and the driving force behind the vaccination clinics hosted at Allum Manor since last January, expressed her thanks:

'Mick really was one in a million, a man with an enormous heart. From the first day we met, his boundless energy and enthusiasm was evident; he would find ways to help with any problem, and nothing was too much trouble.

He was out in the snow and rain helping the volunteers direct traffic (despite everybody's attempts to drag him back inside!), he'd leap to find or mend anything, he was up at the crack of dawn to open up for us, always happy to answer queries from the public...

We will miss his gentle nature and quiet humour desperately.'

Since his passing, many customers who have known Micheal over

the years have given similar tributes, describing Micheal as 'always helpful, going above and beyond. He was kind and he was genuine.'

Over the years as our resident caretaker, Micheal worked tirelessly, becoming a 'landmark' at Allum Manor and a local character. His contribution to the success of the Gratitude Foodbank hosted at Allum Manor was recognised officially by the High Sheriff of Hertfordshire when in July 2020 he designated Micheal as a 'Hero of Hertfordshire'.

I can personally testify to his willing support for all my NSPCC events. Micheal was a good friend to us all and leaves us his extraordinary legacy of service.

Ann Goddard
For the Board of Trustees, Allum Manor



Our local Covid-19 vaccination centre is still serving the community!!

Over a year since the first of over 105,000 Covid-19 jabs now delivered at a GP-run vaccination centre based at Allum Hall in Elstree, the vaccination effort continues.

On the guidance of the JCVI (Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation), patients over 75 continue to arrive from across Hertsmere to keep their appointments for booster jabs. Meanwhile, district nurses continue to use Allum Hall as their base from which to visit selected patients in care homes or vulnerable patients in their own homes.

What will happen next in the rollout of vaccines has yet to be decided, but Allum Manor will continue to work closely with NHS clinicians and volunteers.

On 30 March Dr. Alex Byrne, head of the federation of local GP practices in Elstree & Borehamwood, welcomed guests to celebrate their extraordinary achievements at Allum Hall. The card says it all.



Award

On 24 April eight unsung heroes were recognised for their efforts and positive contributions to the local community at the Mayor of Hertsmere's Civic Awards Ceremony.

Tracey Schapira, a Borehamwood resident and organiser of the vaccination programme delivered since January 2020 at Allum Hall, has said 'I am delighted to accept this award on behalf of a wonderful group of people, #Team Allum.

I am lucky to have had the most outstanding support from Herts Health, Allum Manor staff and trustees, a huge team of healthcare professionals, district nurses, care co-ordinators, all of the local GP surgeries, Communities 1st and a huge team of amazing local community volunteers.



#Team Allum was a fantastic success as a result of all of these individuals, lots of time, effort and kindness. and I am so delighted to accept the award on their behalf'.

Bob Redman

Borehamwood library events

Despite the madness of these past two years, Borehamwood library is fully open again and we have all of our events up and running.

As well as offering a wide selection of books and magazines we hold a weekly informal social group, individual computer lessons and much, much more.

Young customers are invited to join us for weekly rhyme and story times. Keep an eye out for our fabulous Summer Reading Challenge too, returning this summertime.

Drop in for a visit, speak to friendly staff and find out what the library has to offer you.

Call 0300 123 4049 or visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries
Follow us on Facebook @ [borehamwoodlibrar](https://www.facebook.com/borehamwoodlibrar)

Baby Rhyme Time

Monday 10am and 11am
Suggested donation £1 per family.

Storytime

Thursday 4pm - 4:30pm
Suggested donation £1 per family.

Tea and Tablets

Monthly on a Wednesday
Bring your tablet or smartphone.
£3 per session including tea or coffee and biscuits.
Must be booked in advance.

IT Taster Sessions

1:1 IT lessons
£7 / £5 available Tuesday and Thursday.
Must be booked in advance.

Craft & a Cuppa

Thursday 2pm - 4pm
Bring your own art/craft project, have a chat, meet new people and share ideas. Special discount on hot drink from Café "96.

Home Library Service

Books delivered to housebound (ask staff for details).

Booksale

Always open!



Tapestries of Faith

The town council supports the freedom of residents to choose a faith or to have none and it is proud of the rich tapestry of religious groups within the local community.

Worshippers turn out in force for the Good Friday Walk of Witness

After a Covid-19 enforced delay of two years – the annual Borehamwood Good Friday Walk of Witness returned this year.

A large turnout of all ages from the churches across Elstree and Borehamwood joined together on a lovely sunny day outside the Baptist church in Furzehill Road at 11am. Led by a six-foot processional



cross, the group travelled along Shenley Road. Several stops were made along the way for readings telling of the Crucifixion by different members of the churches and hymns led by musicians.

The procession concluded at the Roman Catholic church, St Teresa of the Child Jesus, in Shenley Road.

The walk was organised by the Elstree and Borehamwood Christian Council (EBCC).

Carol Layne

Camp Unity 2022

The good news is ... Camp Unity 2022 is again preparing an adventure-filled week for primary school children (6-11 years old) to run for 5 nights from Sunday-Friday, 31 July - 5 August 2022.

Our multifaith camp aims to bring local communities together to promote friendships among children who might not ordinarily have a chance to meet; to encourage exploration of the outdoors and to help build confidence.

Camp life includes three meals daily plus crafts and sports activities and entertainment at night. Children are expected to help keep the campsite tidy.

Other activities during Camp Unity focus on what makes Elstree and Borehamwood unique; we've taken children to the Venue Leisure Centre, to work on a garden allotment at Stapleton Road, and to the working farm and attractions at Aldenham Country Park. Our programme varies each year.

Among the highlights in previous years were visits from the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, and Chief Constable of Hertfordshire. We also had hands-on presentations from the local emergency services.

Experience has shown that children usually respond energetically to the outdoors, running through fields by day and staying up late near the campfire at night, allowing them to learn and to grow in maturity in ways unlike during the school year.



Our campers and youth leaders are diverse by religion and nationality. We maintain high staff ratios to meet campers' needs. And we welcome adult volunteers to help run the camp. Anyone working with us must be DBS/CRB-approved.

One ancillary aim of Camp Unity is to bring parents and civic leaders together to build bridges and enhance community cohesion. We are grateful for financial support received from the Hertfordshire county, Hertsmere borough, and Elstree & Borehamwood town councils.

Enquiries and an application request can be sent to campunityborehamwood@gmail.com

Jeff Berger



Bootcamp in Meadow Park

On Sunday 10 April at 9am the Mayor was delighted to attend the first anniversary of Hannah Ellis' Bootcamp in Meadow Park.

It was a very jolly affair with Bootcamp regulars lifting weights, running with parachutes and playing balloon games to celebrate the special day.

The Bootcamp started up during lockdown when gyms closed as a way of getting residents fit and healthy during the pandemic.

Hannah Ellis, Borehamwood resident and Personal Trainer who runs the Bootcamp said:

"I started the Bootcamp a year ago once a week thinking we'd just do this until the gyms were back open and running but people loved it so I expanded it to three days a week and a year later, we're still going strong. I believe exercise should be fun and for everyone so I make sure whatever we do it's accessible to all fitness levels."

Every Thursday and weekend, local residents meet in the park for a 45 minute exercise session which has a different theme every week. Past Bootcamp sessions have included themes as diverse as strength week, core work, speed and agility, army week and warrior week. Bootcamp even continued all through winter with Bootcampers braving ice wind and rain to keep getting fitter, faster and stronger.

The mayor, who hosted a game of 'Who Wants to be a Bootcamper' at the event, said: "In lockdown we were all miserable and we needed to get out and we need to exercise and we need to be healthy. I wish everyone at Hannah Ellis' Bootcamp many more years of enjoying this... Thank you for inviting me, what a wonderful way to spend a Sunday morning."

Bootcamp occurs every Thursday at 9:30am, and Saturdays and Sundays at 9am in Meadow Park by the zip wire. For further information about joining call Hannah on 07952 876 929 or see www.hannahellispt.com

Hannah Ellis

Elstree Lawn Tennis Club

Tucked away on the corner of Aldenham Road and Watford Road is Elstree Lawn Tennis Club, probably the best value tennis club in the county.

Not only do we boast free use of floodlights and access to free balls for games played on our courts, we also have two ball machines which cost nothing for adult members to use (apart from the effort required to position them on court).

Elstree prides itself on being open and welcoming to all. We love tennis and want everyone else to love it too. We have coaches who run group and private sessions for both adults and juniors. We also hold adult social sessions several times a week where you can just turn up and join in without having to arrange a match in advance.

Alternatively, you can play a pre-arranged match with other members using one of the many WhatsApp groups in operation to facilitate this. Elstree Tennis Club teams compete in the Watford and District, Herts Hot Rackets and the Kenton Winter League. We are always looking for keen players to add strength to the teams, but as a community amateur sports club anyone can join regardless of ability.

Not content with resting on our laurels, we are now investing almost £100,000 in replacing all of our court surfaces. By the middle of summer we hope to have all six of our fully floodlit courts fitted with Tiger Turf. This will be fantastic to play on, reduce the risk of slipping in wet weather and is kind to hips and knees. We are of course very excited about this development as it will enhance the tennis experience for all our members for years to come.

Come on in, the tennis is lovely!

For membership details, please visit our website elstreetennis.com

Julie O'Keefe



Youth Council



Hello, my name is Adam, and I am the new chairman of the Youth Council. I wanted to use this article to tell you what exciting things the Youth Council has planned for 2022.

Throughout 2021 the Youth Council increased the number of active members, and we hope that this trend will continue well into 2022. Sadly, due to the Covid-19, the Youth Council wasn't able to do as many projects as it would normally do but hopefully this year, we will be able to return to some sort of normality.

On the note of projects, it gives me great pleasure to announce that

the Youth Council has launched what has been dubbed 'Project 2022', the idea is that throughout the year we will be doing lots of sub-projects that will come under the banner of 'Project 2022'. With this exciting initiative I believe that this year is a better time than ever to come and join the Youth Council.

If you are aged between 11-17, are keen to do your bit for Elstree and Borehamwood and want to be a part of the Youth Council's most exciting project yet, then don't hesitate email the Youth Council secretary at anicodemus@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk and join today.

Thank you very much for reading and hope to see you at our next meeting.

Adam Duke



Borehamwood and Elstree U3A summer and autumn events

Our local branch is now fully up and running again after the end of Covid-19 restrictions, and planning lots of events for the summer and autumn, when we are celebrating the 20th anniversary of our local branch and the 40th anniversary of the U3A nationally.

We will be marking the occasion with a garden party on 18 June and a branch social event on 19 July, as well as an anniversary competition.

We also have our regular branch meetings at St Teresa's Parish Centre in Shenley Road on the third Tuesday of the month from 10am. Speakers planned for the summer and autumn include Adam Smith on "Country Houses and World War 2", Stuart Nagler on "The Lieutenancy and the Queen's and Prince's Trust" on 16 August, John Cartledge on "100 years of Buses in Borehamwood" at our AGM on 20 September,

and Mike Beech on "The History of the Postal Service" on 18 October. Meetings are free to members or £3 for guests and visitors.

We also have a variety of special interest groups, meeting together to share interests - play games such as scrabble and bridge, discuss books or learn about history, do craftwork or needlework, and join together for walks and visits. This photo by one of our members, Terry Day, was taken on a ramble earlier this year in Frogmore.

New members are welcome – if you would like to find out more, visit our website at <https://u3asites/borehamwood>, contact our membership secretary Christine Manning email cmu3a2022@gmail.com telephone 020 8953 6071, or come along to a branch meeting.

*Judith Sear
(Chair/Newsletter Editor, Borehamwood and Elstree U3A)*



Writers in the Wood

This poem has been written by a member of Borehamwood's writers circle, 'Writers in the wood'. Many thanks to our member Elliot Stanton for sharing this lovely poem with us from his most recently published book, 'Presents From The Past'.

A Place to Reflect

*For five and twenty years, I've come to this same spot,
To pause and relax, and sometimes to plot.
All year round, from summer through to spring,
Enjoying the changing hues of nature all seasons would bring.
The hot summer sun, parched grass, like maize,
To autumn's lush carpet of deep green baize.
From a naughty young boy escaping the blame,
To an angst-ridden teen, sweet tranquillity, I'd claim.
Away from raised voices and decisions to make,
This was my solace from life's cruel heartache.
The fresh, clean air and reverential peace,
Allowed me to breathe, allowing my mind to release.
Feelings of frustration, tension and blunder,
Alleviated swiftly, by nature's true wonder.
I fondly remember many warm, sunny days,
Alone with clear thoughts; repelling my malaise.*

*Taking shelter under trees when it started to rain,
The metronomic patter; a constant refrain.
How I loved this corner of solitude and calm,
An oasis of quietude in a desert of alarm.
But my special place is now a car park for Lidl,
Why they've chosen this area, there is no riddle.
Undeveloped areas of beauty make no sense,
To large corporations making profits, immense.
Patches of green are disappearing so fast,
And being covered by concrete, timber, and glass.
Gone is the birdsong and sweet smell of wisteria,
Replaced by car horns, exhaust fumes, and shoppers' hysteria.
Even though my peaceful enclave is no more,
It'll be forever in my mind; its beauty to tour.*

Elliot Stanton 2021



Rotary Club



Studios Rotary Club

On Saturday 26 March 2022 members and friends of the Studios Rotary Club of Elstree & Borehamwood came together to undertake the first of three spring cleans along Stirling Way in Borehamwood. This is part of the 'Great British Spring Clean' organised by Keep Britain Tidy.

The group of fifteen headed by the club's president Victor Eni and president elect Sasha Capocci took two hours to collect litter, which was far worse than previous years. Hertsmere borough council, waste services department provided the equipment and collected the bags of rubbish. This had been sorted into recycling and general waste.

The message for this year's Great British Spring Clean is to pick up as much litter as possible between the 25 March and 10 April 2022.

Every individual or group taking part makes a huge impact to protect the environment.

The Studios Rotary Club of Elstree & Borehamwood with the three planned dates hopes to bring change to make individuals responsible for their actions and to change the mindset to keep our local environment a better place for us all to live.

Studios Rotary assist Rotary International video presentation promoting Covid-19 protocols

The Rotary Club of the Studios of Elstree and Borehamwood met on Tuesday 12 April to plan activities for the coming weeks and months, supporting the many different aspects of our community work within Elstree and Borehamwood nationally and internationally.

After the meeting, which was held at All Saints Church in Shenley Road, whilst the Elstree Studios conference facilities are being renovated, members took time out to record a series of outtakes for our colleagues from the Rotary Club of St Pierre in Mauritius who are preparing a two-minute video regarding the Covid-19 sanitary protocols to be used globally.



Participants were club president Victor Eni, president elect Sasha Capocci, past president Sandra Parnell, club treasurer Andrew Grady, foundation chair Sam Covill, and our latest new member Michael Orji- Ezuma.

For further information contact Pat Strack at pat.strack@ntlworld.com

Pat Strack

Environment

Elstree and Borehamwood Green Belt Society Annual General Meeting

Elstree and Borehamwood Green Belt Society has campaigned to keep the lovely countryside around us 'green and pleasant' in the face of intense pressure for housing development.

We try to balance the need for decent affordable homes with preservation of fields, woods and natural habitats for creatures sharing this planet with us. So we welcome the rethinking of the draft Local Plan which would have allowed overdevelopment.

Woodcock Hill and Aldenham Reservoir are two endangered green spaces. We have been active in opposing the deregistration of Woodcock Hill as a village green and for Aldenham Reservoir to be returned to its previous water levels. Happily the well loved path round the reservoir has been declared a right of way with the welcome assistance of councillors of all political parties and Herts county council.



The reservoir should be in public ownership with maintenance and costs borne by a community interest company with cooperation of local authorities, the current owners and local conservation organisations. The historic clay dam remains a potential problem though recent surveys have shown no immediate danger. Surely the sacrifice of land south of Watford Road for housing in exchange for funds for dam repair would constitute the 'exceptional circumstances' needed to justify using Green Belt land.

The proposed solar plant off Butterfly Lane we rejected as vastly oversized and using agricultural land needed for food production and inappropriate in green belt. Solar panels on public building and houses would be preferable combined with insulation.

Our MP Oliver Dowden CBE met us recently and pledged his support for revision of the housing targets imposed by central government decree.

We combine with local conservation bodies such as Radlett Green Belt Society and Aldenham Parish Council and have advice from Herts CPRE, The Country Charity.

Please join the Green Belt Society for the trifling fee of £5 per annum and add weight of numbers to our arguments. Membership forms available on our website ebgreenbelt.org. We would welcome new committee members too.

Woodcock Hill Village Green The story continues

Part 1 Virtual Public Inquiry 24 - 18 January

Part 2 Virtual Public inquiry 15 - 16 March. Site visit 17 March.

By 21 March written evidence from Woodcock Hill Village Green (WHVG) committee expert rebuts all Taylor Wimpey (TW) has said regarding the required increase in biodiversity (Government Act 2018) on the replacement land in Elstree as compared to release land at Byron Ave in Borehamwood over time. TW have upped the offer to pay a new management committee (to be called Village Green Committee) from £100,000 to £350,000 to last 15 years. This is only for the replacement land if they win. Our expert believes that TW should commit for at least 30 years.

Our experts at the top of the hill challenge TW's landscape plan for the replacement and retained land by Leslie's bench. It is a landscape plan not retention or replacement of a nature reserve or local wild life site as it is now.

Our expert also challenged TW evidence that the London Loop walkers use Barnet Lane. The author of the London Loop changed his map

some years ago to encourage users to ignore the boring and unsafe route from Allum Lane via Deacons Hill Road, to walk from the station through the estate and enter WHVG by the Byron Avenue entrance. Our expert actually met three walkers doing just that during his visit.

Although the village green was not in the now shelved Hertsmere Local Plan, the site BE6 off Barnet Lane and Furzehill Rd and HEL 197, adjacent to Hartfield Avenue were proposed for building homes. WHVG will continue to monitor these proposals and the threat of a 2000 pupil secondary school by the caravan park at Barnet Lane.

Pat Strack



Aldenham Country Park

Aldenham Country Park Trust Ltd

ACPT Ltd, set up to save Aldenham Country Park in 2009, was successful in getting Hertfordshire county council (HCC) to agree to set up tenders for management of the country park, excluding the reservoir.

ACPT Ltd has been working since 2011 to have all the footpath around the reservoir registered as a public right of way. Submissions by HCC & ACPT Ltd have been made to the Planning Inspectorate. The inspector will visit the site in June. Board members of ACPT Ltd are confident that this will at last be a designated footpath, thanks to the hard work of HCC officers. Thanks to all the users of the footpath who gave evidence of use twice 'as of right' between 1954 and 1974.



Aldenham Country Park advisory panel

The future of Aldenham Reservoir has been a serious concern and now all political parties and local authorities are united in working for a positive outcome.

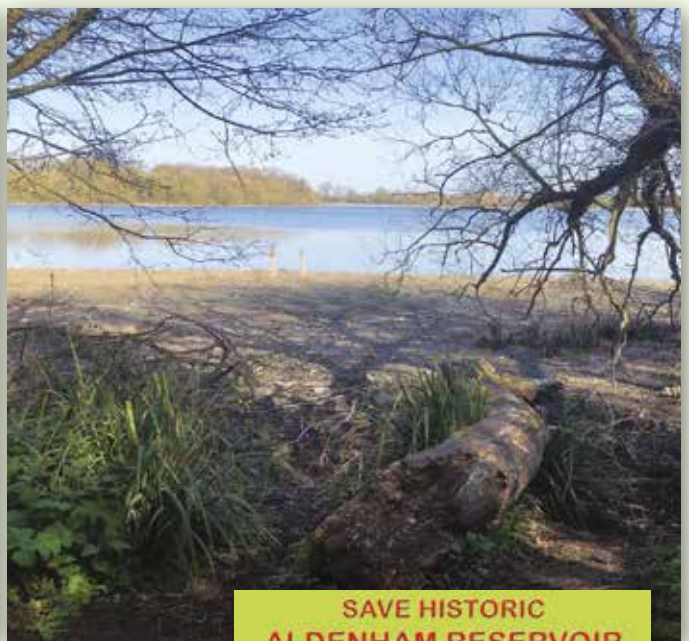
Hertfordshire county council

The work to ensure that the gates and fencing will be removed has been an ongoing effort by HCC officers. This is a great result as HCC was able to avoid an expensive court case set for April 2022. A lease was highlighted where a clause precluded any structures being erected. Thank you Caroline Clapper.

This is such good news, due to the hard work of many people behind the scenes, driven by the ACP Advisory Panel. This panel was set up over 30 years ago and was chaired by a county councillor until Aldenham Renaissance took over in 2012.

The panel: statutory bodies: HCC, officers; HBC, Lucy Selby; EBTC, Pat Strack, chair; Aldenham PC, Estelle Samuelson; and environmental groups, EBGBS, Ann Goddard and Clive Butchins; Radlett Society and Green Belt Association, Clive Glover; Aldenham Country Park Trust Ltd, Sandra Parnell; Elstree Village Preservation Society, Noman Shuker; Aldenham Renaissance, Tim Waygood and Andy Robb; Bushey Forum, Philip Nowlan and users groups; Aldenham Sailing Club, Richard Jenkins; Aldenham Angling Society, Alan Whittingham; Park Run, Simon Townsend and Aldenham CP Users Debbie Hougie. The panel meets regularly to address problems that have occurred at ACP more especially since HCC gave up the lease of the reservoir in 2015.

Pat Strack



SAVE HISTORIC ALDENHAM RESERVOIR
 Restore the Water Level and the Circular Path for All
 Sign our petition: <https://tinyurl.com/saveourreservoir>
 To find out how you can help our campaign see www.thegreenbelt.org

Aldenham reservoir

Asset of Community Value (ACV)

Hertsmere borough council has registered the reservoir as an AVC, due to the persistence of John Cartledge. This may be important were the reservoir to be put up for sale. A community group would be given six months to raise funds to purchase the reservoir.

Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO)

The investigation of use of a CPO was requested by a cross party team (Caroline Clapper, Dan Azarow and Jerry Evans) earlier this year. Assurances are given that all is good and moving in the right direction and is with Hertsmere borough council legal department.

Aldenham Angling Society

Their lease was extended on 31 March for another year.

Aldenham Sailing Club

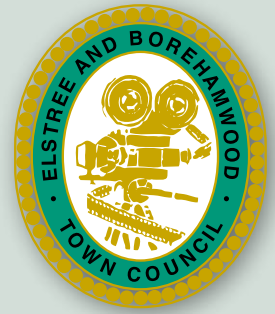
The club would, if the water levels were restored, seriously consider re-establishing sailing at the reservoir. If there were to be CPO or CIC there may be a way to get sailing re-established at the reservoir.

Aldenham Park Run

Their successful weekly event continues.

Pat Strack

Annual Report 2021/22



Mayor's summary

Summing up at the council meeting on 11 May 2022, the Town Mayor Cllr Farida Turner said "I felt especially honoured to meet the Ukrainian refugees in Borehamwood recently. I wanted them to know that they are very welcome in our town and that we will do everything we can locally to support them in this time of need, especially in helping them to communicate with family and loved ones. My chosen charity, as you know, is the Foodbank who do an amazing job in providing essential support to families in Elstree and Borehamwood. I was staggered to find out just how much they do – not just food but school uniforms and practical advice and help of all kinds. I was also fascinated to see the volunteer work at the vaccination centre in Allum Manor – the sheer scale and professionalism of that operation was beyond words".

Community services

Hall bookings: Fairway Hall was open for the entire municipal year with a total usage of 1,535 hours (total income of £26,866).

Allotments:

Site	Managed	Occupied	Occupancy
Allum Lane	56	56	100%
Melrose Avenue	104	104	100%
Stapleton Gardens	55	52	94%
Total	215	212	98%

The council continues to produce a biannual newsletter for all plot holders and a dedicated page (Compost Corner) is published quarterly in the Town Crier magazine. The biggest achievement was the installation of a locker shed at Stapleton Gardens funded through s.106 Developer monies.

Planning and Consultations: The council continued to consider planning applications referred to it by Hertsmere Borough Council as a statutory consultee. 282 were considered in total. Comments were made on 36 of these with concerns including issues of smaller unit developments failing to meet local needs for family sized homes and concerns over the high levels of retrospective applications locally.

Site and street maintenance: The council maintains the film plaques in Borehamwood, 56 benches and 10 notice boards. Both war memorials, St Nicholas and All Saints churchyard (and church clocks) are maintained by the grounds team. A dedicated bench to keyworkers to thank them for their work during the height of the pandemic was unveiled by the mayor adjacent to the Tesco's roundabout.



Thank You bench

Grants: In 2021/22 the town council was proud to have assisted the following organisations with grant awards (or CIL expenditure) to contribute to the cost of local activities which are of benefit to the community (or a section of it):

Award	Amount	Purpose
Hertsmere Borough Council	£58,751	Community performance area "Bandstand"
Borehamwood and Elstree Twin Town Association (BETTA)	£1,500	Running costs
Boreham Wood Football Club	£1,600	Advertising
The Chai Centre aka Jewish Life Centre	£15,000	Chanukar event
Elstree and Borehamwood Unity Network	£1,000	Diversity festival
Herts Inclusive Theatre	£500	Workshops
Borehamwood Foodbank	£760	10 microwaves
Woodlands Primary School	£1,000	Defibrillator
Borehamwood Brass	£480	Venue hire
The Women's Institute	£250	Craft activities

Leisure and entertainment

Replacement events and activities were held to compensate for the reduction in entertainments services the council was able to host due to the pandemic. These included:

- Festival quiz;
- Park run;
- Virtual literary festival (with writer and TV personality Will Self);
- Chess night;
- Indoor circus skills for children;
- Guided walk;
- Allotment tour;
- New town flag raising day.



New town flag

Fireworks night: Fireworks night returned to Meadow Park with a bang celebrating the music of James Bond films. The event was attended in a safe environment by some 5,000 residents/visitors (the only free on entry fireworks display in the local area of this size).

Christmas switch-on display: The Christmas lights were lit in person by EastEnders star Lorraine Stanley (playing the character of Karen Taylor in the BBC flagship show). Extra lights were installed on the trees outside of All Saints church to give a festive feel to the high street. All activities – including the ice-skating rink, Santa’s grotto and live music resumed.

Town Crier: Four editions of the popular town magazine were published and distributed to 16,000 residents and businesses. The publication is available online and in hard copy format at the Elstree and Borehamwood railway station, library, museum and Communities First.

Teddys trails: This local walking book and local history guide, Teddy’s Trail’s, continues to popular with 251 copies being sold to date. Updates are published monthly on the council’s website.

Coach trips: There were none (taking special account of the vulnerability of the target users of this service, i.e. senior citizens) with this much used service resuming in summer 2022.

Children and young people

School swimming: The council was delighted to supported local schools in meeting the cost of travel to The Venue swimming pool for lessons as this was a permitted activity following the end of Covid-19 restrictions.

Youth Council: The Youth Council continues to grow and has actively encouraged recruitment. It has had increased input into council decision making with representation at the Sustainable Transport Subcommittee and Neighbourhood Plan steering group. The Youth Council is planning to launch a public awareness initiative to reduce car travel locally – “Walk Under a Mile” scheme. Plans were made to launch a question time event later in the year with local MP, Oliver Dowden

and political leaders to increase civic pride and civic awareness for young people in Hertsmere.

Public Access Report and Communications

The report contents were approved by Full Council on 11 May 2022 and the report is available for inspection by any elector in the parish area by contacting the Town Council offices or viewing on the council website (www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk). The report is published in the quarterly Town Crier publication distributed to every resident in Elstree and Borehamwood (16,000 copies). Copies are available at the Town and Borough councils and at Borehamwood library.

Finances

The summary of council finances at year end is as follows:

	Current annual budget	Actual year to date
General Management		
Income	£518,305	£527,845
Expenditure	£423,320	£3672,639
Environment and Planning		
Income	£10,639	£14,367
Expenditure	£20,160	£19,965
Leisure and Entertainment		
Income	£9,894	£3,331
Expenditure	£119,900	£78,564
Community Support		
Income	Nil	Nil
Expenditure	£30,000	£29,514
TOTALS		
Income	£538,838	£545,543
Expenditure	£593,380	£500,681
Net Expenditure	(£54,542)	£44,862

General Reserve Fund at Year End: £8,270 (plus 3 savings vehicles £300,000).

Earmarked Reserves at Year End: (Van: £9,671, Capital Projects: £124,375, Election: £26,250 and Community Wellbeing: £32,375 and Top Sliced CIL fund £264,702).

Town councillors

2021/22 Mayor: Cllr Mrs Farida Turner

2021/22 Deputy Mayor: Cllr Mrs S Parnell

The new mayor (Cllr Mrs S Parnell) and deputy mayor (Cllr C Butchins) were appointed at the annual council meeting on 11 May 2022 along with committee chairmen and representatives on outside bodies.

Town councillors

2022/23 Mayor: Cllr Sandra Parnell

2022/23 Deputy Mayor: Cllr Clive Butchins

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Elstree & Borehamwood town council meetings

For a full list of our forthcoming meetings, please see the website. All meetings now take place at Fairway Hall.

7 June	Entertainments	Meeting Room	7.30pm
15 June	Full Council	Main Hall	7.30pm
21 June	Environment & Planning	Meeting Room	7.00pm
6 July	Transport & Community Safety	Main Hall	7.00pm
14 July	General Management	Meeting Room	7.00pm
19 July	Environment & Planning	Meeting Room	7.00pm
28 July	Entertainments	Meeting Room	7.30pm
6 Sept	Entertainments	Meeting Room	7.30pm
7 Sept	Full Council	Main Hall	7.30pm
20 Sept	Environment & Planning	Meeting Room	7.00pm
28 Sept	Transport & Community Safety	Main Hall	7.00pm

Note: Times and venues of meetings may be changed at short notice. Meetings listed are open to the press and public.

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“Who do I talk to about.....?”

With three tiers of local government in Hertfordshire, it can be confusing knowing which authority to contact about a particular service or issue.

Here is a brief list of key functions covered by each council to help untangle the web and to show who does what in your area.

Elstree and Borehamwood town council is responsible for:

- The office of the Town Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Mayoral engagements
- The management of the three allotment sites at Melrose Avenue, Allum Lane and Stapleton Gardens
- Support of the town twinning with Fontenay-aux-Roses and Offenburg
- A programme of entertainment and events throughout the year such as the two week Summer Festival (including the Civic Parade and Families Day), Guy Fawkes night fireworks, Christmas lights switch-on and musical concerts (including the BBC Band and local bands)
- Coach outings for residents over 60 years of age
- The award of grants to local groups and charities and honorary titles to local champions
- The free quarterly magazine “Town Crier”
- Street seating, some notice boards and church clocks
- Upkeep of closed churchyards (All Saints on Shenley Road and St Nicholas in Elstree)
- Upkeep of Elstree and Borehamwood war memorials

- Support for school swimming transport
 - Youth Council
 - Transport and Community Safety Forum
- Elstree and Borehamwood town council is the council closest to the residents in the parish. The town council is here to be a voice for the residents by representing their views on issues affecting them.

Call: 020 8207 1382 or visit www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Hertsmere borough council is responsible for:

- The collection of council tax and business rates
- Kerbside waste and recycling collections, including fly tipping
- Benefits
- Community safety
- Elections
- Street cleaning
- Housing needs
- Local planning and building regulations
- Public car parks and controlled parking zones
- Licensing and environmental health
- Cemeteries

- Leisure services (operated by Hertsmere Leisure) including The Venue and all parks

Hertsmere borough council deals with issues covering the whole of Hertsmere and has a very regulatory remit.

Call: 020 8207 2277 or visit www.hertsmere.gov.uk

Hertfordshire county council is responsible for:

- Highways
- Education and libraries
- Social services
- Trading standards
- Public transport
- Bus passes and disabled parking permits
- Registrar of births, deaths and marriages
- Street lighting, pavements and cycle ways
- Adoption and fostering
- Fire and rescue services
- Recycling centres
- Footpaths and rights of way

Hertfordshire county council is the top tier of local government and provides services on a county-wide basis

Call: 0300 123 4040 or visit www.hertsdirect.org

Useful information

Barnet General Hospital

Wellhouse Lane, Barnet EN5 3DJ
020 3758 2000

Borehamwood Library

96 Shenley Rd, Borehamwood WD6 1EB
0300 123 4049

Borehamwood Police Station

Civic Offices, Elstree Way,
Borehamwood WD6 1WA, 01707 354000

Citizens Advice Bureau

2 Allum Ln, Elstree, WD6 3PJ
0344 411 1444

Cowley Hill Primary School

Winstre Rd, Borehamwood WD6 5DP
020 8953 2218

Elstree and Borehamwood Museum

96 Shenley Rd, Borehamwood WD6 1EB
01442 454 888

Elstree & Borehamwood railway station

Station Road, Borehamwood WD6 3LS
03450264700

Elstree University Technical College

Studio Way, Borehamwood WD6 5NN
020 8386 6220

Fairbrook Medical Centre

4 Fairway Ave, Borehamwood WD6 1PR
020 8953 7666

Hertswood Academy

Cowley Hill, Borehamwood WD6 5LG
020 8238 7200

Kenilworth Primary School

Kenilworth Dr, Borehamwood WD6 1QL
020 8953 3459

Meryfield Community Primary School

Theobald St, Borehamwood WD6 4PA
020 8953 2106

Monksmead Primary School

Hillside Ave, Borehamwood WD6 1HL
020 8953 3328

Parkside Community Primary School

Aycliffe Rd, Borehamwood WD6 4EP
020 8387 3000

Saffron Green Primary School

Nicoll Way, Borehamwood WD6 2PP
020 8953 3801

St Nicholas Elstree Church of England Primary School

St Nicholas Cl, Elstree, WD6 3EW
020 8953 3015

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

Brook Rd, Borehamwood WD6 5HL
020 8953 3753

Schopwick Surgery

Romeland, Elstree, WD6 3BJ
01707 354000

Summerswood Primary School

Furzehill Rd, Borehamwood WD6 2DW
020 8953 3139

The Grove Medical Centre

Borehamwood Shopping Park,
Borehamwood WD6 4PR, 020 3538 3959

Theobald Medical Centre

121 Theobald St, Borehamwood WD6 4PT
020 8953 3355

The Venue Leisure Centre

Elstree Way, Borehamwood, WD6 1JY
020 8386 9886

Watford General Hospital

Vicarage Rd, Watford WD18 0HB
01923 244366

Woodlands Primary School

Alban Cres, Borehamwood WD6 5JF
020 8953 2717

Yavneh College and Primary School

Hillside Ave, Borehamwood WD6 1HL
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