



FEBRUARY 2019

Faringdon Town Council

NEWSLETTER

To contact us call 01367 240281 or visit www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk

YOUR LOCAL COUNCIL NEEDS YOU



Are you passionate about Faringdon?

- ♥ Do you want to make a difference in your local community?
- ♥ Do you enjoy making decisions?
- ♥ Would you like to offer your skills and experience to benefit your local community?



Become a
Councillor

To find out more:

- ♥ Visit www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk
- ♥ Email sally@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk
- ♥ Call 01367240281



Local (town and parish) councils are led by democratically elected councillors from the local community. Local councillors decide on what services and projects the council will deliver. As representatives of the first tier of local government and the closest to their communities, local councillors are best placed to engage with their residents and find out what the real local issues are and how to overcome them.



Faringdon Town Council is encouraging residents who are passionate about their community to stand for election.



There are currently 120,000 councillors serving on the 10,000 local councils in England.

Every Little Helps.....

In December Faringdon Town Council were delighted to speak to lots of residents about their wishes for Faringdon whilst they shopped at Tesco. It was great to receive feedback about how people see the town. If you have something you'd like to say why not contact one of your Town Councillors. Visit www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk to find out how.

Resident Engagement December 2018

60 residents provided a wish for Faringdon

Responses were split into 4 key areas

'A lovely town. Keep doing what you are doing'

'More baby groups, I LOVE The Place'

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

The Place was very highly praised by residents

More for Young People to do

A vibrant space for young people



TOWN CENTRE AND SHOPS

A major focus was the need for a bank / cash point

Consistent opening hours for local businesses

A food shop to fill the gap budgets has left behind.

COMMUNITY

A closer community

Put the town on the map

More community events

QUALITY OF LIFE

Dog Poo and Litter!
More litter picks

Parking

Higher Police presence

'Keep Faringdon safe for everyone'

'More litter to be picked up'

'FTC please do something about parking'

'More allotments for Vegetable growing'

With kind thanks to Tesco for allowing us to have a stall

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Need Advice



Free Advice for all Faringdon residents

Every other Thursday PM at
Faringdon Town Council, Pump
House, 5 Market Place.
Drop in between 1.30pm and
3.30pm



Oxfordshire
South & Vale

Citizens Advice Faringdon

Wednesday Morning

10am - 11.00 am drop in

11am & 12 pm appointments

In the Pump Room, Market Square,
Faringdon

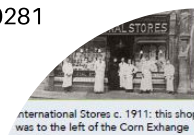
Advice Line: 03444 111 444

Please drop in to see us



New Museum coming soon

After the huge success of the WW1 Hospital exhibition Faringdon Town Council is delighted to announce that a permanent museum will be housed in the June Rennie Room. The museum will opening in Spring 2019. If you have any Faringdon artifacts that might interest other residents please get in touch by emailing office@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk or calling 01367240281



International Stores c. 1911: this shop was to the left of the Corn Exchange



Saddle maker, harness maker and florist c. 1908



Hairdresser, tobacconist, cobbler c. 1930



Shop c. 1925

For centuries, Faringdon's residents both lived and worked in the town, often above their own shops.

The town's main businesses were coaching, inns, horses and travel.

The industrialisation of the 1700s brought surfaced turnpike toll roads, speeding up the carriage of goods, and quick, efficient railways in the 1800s, offering trading opportunities elsewhere.

Larger, industrialised businesses flourished alongside the artisan and craft trades.

Need a Venue?

Faringdon Town Council Venues offer the perfect location for your social or business functions in the heart of the town. Whether you require a room for 2 or 200 people we have a room that will fit your needs. Bar and kitchen facilities are available in some venues and disabled requirements are met in all of them.

Prices start from just £8.50 per hour

For further details including full hire costs and pictures please visit:
www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk
Or contact:
liz@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk
01367240281



800th Market Charter Tapestry

A group of residents have been working really hard to produce an amazing tapestry to celebrate last year's 800th anniversary. Under the direction of renowned textile artist Anne Griffiths the piece has been taking shape and the final pieces are now ready to be stitched together. It is hoped the final piece will go on display in March 2019. A huge thanks and congratulations to all who have been involved.



Youth Grant Funding



Organisations can apply for up to £2,000
The Council will prioritise the following areas:

- Helping and supporting our young people
- Youth Festivals and opportunities
- Assisting vulnerable young people
- Tackling crime and antisocial behaviour
- Schools to invest in local project
- Assisting young people in gaining employment education and training

To find out more contact
Sally Thurston on 01367 240281
office@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk

SAVE YOUR TUESDAY MARKET

Do you have a small business or are you thinking of maybe starting a business? Then why not have a stall at the Faringdon Tuesday Market?

ENTREPRENEURS WANTED TO SAVE FARINGDON TUESDAY MARKET



• SAVE YOUR LOCAL MARKET •

FREE STALLS UNTIL MAY

FARINGDON TUESDAY MARKET

CONTACT

patfox47@talktalk.net
or call 01367 240281

Have you joined our mailing list?

Join our mailing list to receive information about Faringdon Town Council initiatives, news, updates, cinema listings, events, road closures.



To sign up for our mailing list [click here](#)

Visit www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk to sign up today

Congratulations to Faringdon's Town Clerk

Faringdon Town Clerk Sally Thurston has achieved a Foundation Degree in Community Governance with Distinction awarded by De Montfort University. This is the result of 4 years of study. She also won the Blachere prize for the top performing student.



Faringdon in Bloom

Faringdon in Bloom 2019 is nearly upon us. With more categories it promises to be another fantastic event. For further information and to enter please visit our website. www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk

Faringdon Town Council
Would like to invite you to take part in.....

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

BEST LARGE GARDEN
BEST SMALL GARDEN
BEST ALLOTMENT
BEST WILDLIFE GARDEN
BEST PATIO/COURTYARD GARDEN
BEST NEW GARDEN
BEST PLANT SPECIALIST GARDEN
JOY TO THE COMMUNITY
BEST BUSINESS FLORAL WINDOW DISPLAY
BEST BUSINESS BASKET / BOX
BEST JUNIOR MINIATURE GARDEN
WINNER OF THE WINNERS

Faringdon in bloom 2019

FREE TO ENTER
Trophies for all categories

Judging 21st / 22nd June 2019

Award Presentation 23rd June
1pm Corn Exchange

TO ENTER PLEASE PICK UP AN ENTRY FORM FROM FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL & INFORMATION CENTRE, PUMP HOUSE, FARINGDON OR VISIT WWW.FARINGDONTOWNCOUNCIL.GOV.UK TO COMPLETE ONLINE OR DOWNLOAD ONE

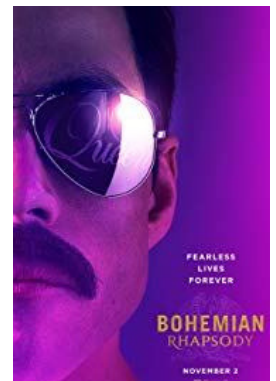


Coming soon to the Regent Cinema



Wednesday 6th March - The Wife (15)

Friday 29 March - Bohemian Rhapsody (12A)



Community Action Needed

PLEASE REPORT Dog Fouling

This is a horrible problem that we hope to eradicate by working together. Two fines have recently been issued in the area. Please keep reporting if you see anyone not picking up after their dog by contacting:

Colin Marshall
Environment Warden
Email: colin.marshall@southandvale.gov.uk
Tel: 01235 422159
Admin: 01235 422403



Faringdon Emergency Plan

Faringdon Town Council is in the initial stages of producing a Community Emergency Plan (CEP) in order to help provide more effective support to the national emergency services and local authorities during an emergency in the town, should one arise. Any local community groups and individuals who are interested in becoming involved in the CEP should contact Hilary Sherman on hilary@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk



We Invite you.....

Did you know members of the public are invited to all Town Council meetings? We invite members of the public to come along, and welcome questions and comments from our residents. Our meeting dates, times and agendas are published on our website www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk, in our offices and on the notice board located on the side of the Corn Exchange. To submit a question please contact - Town Clerk, Sally Thurston, on 01367 240281 by email: sally@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk or post: The Pump House, Market Place, Faringdon, Oxfordshire, SN7 7HL

