

## Spring 2022

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DTC is your local newsletter, created, printed and distributed by Daventry Town Council, to update residents with important information about the Town.



## A letter from the Chair and Mayor

Despite the challenges of the past couple of years, communities within Daventry have pulled together and selflessly given up their time to help one another. I am proud to say that I am a part of Daventry, a town whose residents genuinely care and support one another. It is a joy to have a community of litter

heroes within Daventry, who do a fantastic job picking in local litter hot spots, alongside West Northants Norse, who help care for our beautiful open spaces, our town is looking extra lovely as we step into Spring.

Since Summer 2021, I have had the great pleasure of attending some wonderful mayoral and local community events. The events ranged from flag raising ceremonies, attending conferences on behalf of DTC, Daventry Farmers Market, the DAGA Flower & Vegetable Show, Daventry Business Forum, the

spectacular Fireworks and much more! It is brilliant to attend such varied events, and to see first hand the enthusiasm, interest and appetite from residents as they support and welcome free and family friendly events within the town. A huge Thank You to DTC office staff who work tirelessly behind the scenes to make these events happen for our town and who I know are busy preparing for this year's celebrations and activities.

Thank you also to our Town Ranger and sponsored PCSO, who continue to work in partnership with the CCTV control room and serve our local community.

On a personal note, it is a privilege to represent the people of Daventry. For the

remaining months in my term as Mayor of Daventry I will do my utmost to serve you to the best of my ability. Thank you to each and every one of you that has supported my Mayoral Charity Muscular Dystrophy UK and my many fundraising endeavours, including a Skydive in October 2021.

As always it goes without saying that Daventry Town Council will always put

the interests of our residents at the forefront of all that it does for the town and will continue to make Daventry a better place to work, live and visit. Here's to a great 2022!

Mayor, Clir. Karen Tweedale



# ANNUAL TOWN ASSEMBLY Monday 4th April 2022 7.00pm Daventry Leisure Centre (Sports Hall), Lodge Rd, Daventry NNII 4FP Your Meeting. Your Agenda.

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# Community

# Community Grants

Daventry Town Council budgets £30,000 per annum to support local organisations to provide much needed services and/or facilities to residents of the Town.



This year the Town Council awarded • £700 to the Daventry Allotment and Garden Association (DAGA) to organise the Daventry Flower & Vegetable Show • £3,000 to Daventry Motorcycle Festival to organise the Daventry Motorcycle Event • £1,000 to Reach for Health towards rehabilitation equipment • £998 to Daventry's Neighbourhood Policing Team to facilitate a 'Bike Marking Scheme' • £2,000 to Daventry Contact for lighting and other essential operational equipment • £1,000 to Daventry Volunteer Centre to replace the door and locks following a break-in . £8,000 to Daventry Area Community Transport, to provide a Dial-a-Ride service to residents over 65 living in Daventry town • £13,000 to Citizens Advice Daventry & District to train volunteers to provide an invaluable service to residents in need of help.

For more details and how to apply for a Community Grant please see our website:

www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk/community-grants



## **War Memorial**

Daventry Town Council were awarded a grant for £1610 from the War Memorials Trust (supported by Historic England), to help fund 50% of the total cost to repair and conserve Daventry war memorial.



The memorial has been professionally cleaned, repointed and inscriptions repainted.

Daventry War Memorial was erected in April 1922 and is constructed of local Northamptonshire sandstone. There are four name tablets around the base commemorating 114 local men who died in World War I and 31 who died in World War II.



Cllr Malcolm Ogle, who spearheaded the project said "Daventry war memorial has an important place in our community and it is our duty to care and conserve this memorial for future generations to remember those who lost their lives to give us a better tomorrow'.

## Did You Know?

We are busy replacing a number of public bins in and around Daventry. These are a larger capacity, made partially from recycled plastic and are also quicker and easier to empty.



# Community

# **Daventry Litter Heroes!**

Daventry Town Council launched a monthly litter picking scheme back in 2020, where local residents were asked to pledge just one hour of their time to join our Community Ranger and Ward Councillors targeting areas within Daventry. We held various Community Litter Picks



across Daventry over the past 2 years, Covid-19 Government guidance permitting, and have even more planned for 2022.

All residents are welcome to join any or all of our Littler Picks — all equipment is provided by the Town Council but you are very welcome to bring your own.



#### **LITTER PICKS 2022**

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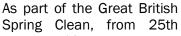
#### - Saturdays from 11am-12pm

THE GRANGE - Pike & Eel Car Park
DANEHOLME - Children's Play Area
FISHPONDS - Hood Road Car Park
WIMBORNE PLACE - Children's Play Area
HEADLANDS - Arnull Crescent Car Park
LANG FARM - Newbury Drive Car Park
INLANDS - Bottom of Swann Dale Close
MIDDLEMORE - Middlemore Car Park

Sat 26th Mar Sat 23rd Apr Sat 28th May Sat 25th Jun Sat 30th Jul Sat 20th Aug Sat 24th Sep Sat 29th Oct

Follow us to keep up to date on all our Litter Picks or visit: www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk/litter-heroes

# #LOVEWHEREYOULIVE: DOORSTEP CHALLENGE:





March - 10th April, we are asking all residents and retailers to take pride in where they live and to ...

- Sweep and weed your pathway and property edges
- · Litter pick your patch
- Wipe down doorframes and window sills
- Clean windows outside (vinegar on newspaper makes for a good eco-glass-cleaner)
- Plant flowers and shrubs for the summer, trim and tidy trees and hedges

Send us your before and after photos as we'd love to see how you #LoveWhereYouLive.

Here are some photos of our amazing Litter Heroes helping make Daventry a nicer place to live... ♥





# Museum

### **Award-Winning Daventry Museum**

The museum team were delighted to receive an award for the Best Response to the Covid **Pandemic** at the Northamptonshire Heritage Forum Awards. The team were c o m m e n d e d for demonstrating resilience.



SOPHIE GOOD & CARRIE GARDNER-PETT RECEIVING THE PRESTIGIOUS MUSEUM AWARD

keeping visitors and volunteers engaged during lockdown, and for pioneering new, technologies. Virtual 360° tours of the museum exhibitions were introduced during lockdown, which feature on the museum's brand new website, for which the museum was awarded a Recovery Grant Fund from Museum Development East Midlands (MDEM) and the Art Fund to develop and revitalise the museum website, with greater accessibility and functionality resources. Check out our new learning resources including a searchable catalogue of the collection, a Daventry Timeline and themed resource page: www.daventrymuseum.org.uk/learn

**Pen Pals** Towards the end of 2021 the museum and local Daventry nursery, Caring Kindergartens, became Pen Pals and have exchanged some lovely letters and pictures with children from the pre-school, sharing ideas about Daventry then, and now.

Museum Officer, Sophie Good said "The team are always delighted to receive the children's letters and creations; we enjoyed answering their questions about the museum and the objects we look after, which hopefully encourages their curiosity in the museum and the world around them".

Interim Nursery Manager, Emma Simmonds said "We're looking forward to bringing the children for a visit after seeing a preview of the "Childhood memories" exhibition. We think our children will find it very interesting seeing all the toys the museum has



on display, which will lead to some brilliant artwork opportunities."

EMMA, NURSERY MASCOT TRUNKY, SOPHIE & HEIDI IN THE MUSEUM

# Exhibition News — Life & Memories of a Childhood in Daventry

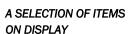


Saturday 8th January 2022 - Friday 17th June 2022. Our nostalgic exhibition evokes memories of a Daventrian childhood, with exhibits of Daventry schools

memorabilia, and sports team photographs, Swimming Pool Association ephemera, local Cub and Scout group badges, and May Day celebrations. Alongside these local exhibits are displays of traditional toys, many versions of which are still around today. Visitors can reminisce over the type of

bicycle or tricycle they owned, through a wheel spinning display of cycles! If you have any stories from your childhood in Daventry

> that you would like to share, then we would love to hear from you – please get in touch via our contact details.





## **BBC - A Centenary of Sights & Sounds**

Open Saturday 2nd July (10am - 4pm) - Saturday 3rd December 2022

The museum will be celebrating the BBC's centenary this year with a commemorative BBC 100th Anniversary exhibition. Exhibits will include radio receivers from the start of the BBC through to the pop music revolution, and an early television in a 1950s room setting entitled, "Television comes to Daventry". The exhibition also celebrates the 90th anniversary of the Empire Short Wave Service from



Borough Hill (opened in December 1932), marking the first broadcast to the Empire from the UK, the impact it had on the town, and later how it affected television reception!

# Platinum Jubilee

#### The Earth Museum



Thanks to another MDEM grant, Daventry Museum is now a partner of The Earth Museum; an exciting and

creative project connecting collections, people and places through an interactive digital map. Daventry Museum's Explorer Map features 50 items from the museum's collection, which you can access via the OR code below or via the learn pages on our website.

Dive into Daventry to discover local stories and uncover links on how our town is connected with a global community. You might be surprised to see how far afield some of our geographical links are.



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MUSEUM

#### **DAVENTRY MUSEUM**

Tuesday-Friday from 9.30am-1.30pm + the first Saturday of the month from 10am-4pm



**f D ©** @Daventrymuseum

Free Entry! www.daventrymuseum.org.uk museum@ daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk 01327 301246 - 3 New Street, Daventry, Northants, NN11 4BT



#### Queen's Jubilee

Her Majesty The Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the



Commonwealth. To celebrate this unprecedented anniversary a four day UK bank holiday weekend will take place from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June 2022.

There are many ways you can get involved with the celebrations. Daventry Town Council will be marking this historic occasion with a variety of festivities:



Queen's Green Canopy - There will be a commemorative tree planting by the Town Mayor in New Street Park as part of the Queen's Green Canopy. Additionally, the town noticeboard in the same area will have a well-deserved lick of paint and refurbishment.

Twinning Area - The Daventry/Westerburg twinning and flag area on London Road, often the focus for many an official occasion, will also be spruced up with newly coloured shields.

Daventry Museum - The museum is holding a commemorative Jubilee display during June. Do get in touch with the museum, should you have any Jubilee memorabilia, photos or stories that you would like to share. The museum will be open on Saturday 11th June, the Queen's official birthday, when the Town Council will also be holding FREE Crafty Crown Making workshops - see our Events page for info.

The Big Lunch - this event has helped bring communities together since 2009. We are inviting Daventry residents to come together on Sunday 5th June to host their own street party or garden barbecue. Alternatively why not organise a group Picnic in the Park at one of the amazing open spaces within Daventry to get together for some family fun.

For ideas on hosting your own event, free information packs, Jubilee activities and how to organise a road closure simply visit our website:

www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk/queens-jubilee-2022

# **Events**

Despite Covid-19 restrictions in place during 2021 we still managed to hold various events, ceremonies and markets in line with government guidelines.

The hugely popular Farmers Market held September was very well received by locals, visitors, traders and our town centre retailers alike. We also supported the annual DAGA Flower & Vegetable Show. After a years break, due to Government restrictions, we saw the return of the amazing Daventry Fireworks at Parker E-Act and also the Remembrance Day Parade with our new Parade Master - Grenadier Guard Aidan O'Brien. We held the Armistice Day service to remember those who lost their lives for their country and raised the flag for Merchant Navy Day. Sadly we had to cancel our Christmas Market & Family Fun event at the end of November due to the extremely high winds so instead we held a Virtual Market. Our sparkly Christmas Tree in the town centre and festive lights then helped to lift everyone's spirits.





#### What's In Store for 2022...

The coming year ahead is full of events and activities so please put these dates in your diary now ...

MINDFUL MILE: We launched our Daventry Mindful Mile, a 1 mile walk around Daventry Town Centre, where you can spot our 20 mindful messages on route. Trail maps can be found in the Museum, local shops or via our website.



**EASTER MARKET:** We have invited back all 70 wonderful stall holders who should have attended our Christmas Market to join us at our *Easter Market* on Saturday 2nd April from 10am—3pm. There will also be lots of free family fun including Face Painting, a Balloon Modeller and even an Easter Bunny! This event will go all the way around the Town Centre—along High Street, Sheaf Street, Foundry Walk and into Bowen Square.

CRAFTY CROWN MAKING: On the Queen's Birthday Saturday 11th June, and the same day as the *Motorcycle Festival*, we will be holding Crafty Crown Making workshops from the Museum on New Street from 11am—2pm. No need to book just come along.

# **Events**

FARMERS MARKET: We will be hosting our hugely popular Farmers Market for its 3rd year on Saturday 17th September with lots of yummy food related stalls set-up all along the High Street.

All our events are FREE. To be kept up to date visit our website and follow our social media sites.

Contact: events@daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk



#### SUMMER ACTIVITES - for children (& young at heart!)

We want to make Summer 2022 one to remember with an exciting schedule of activities to get all the family involved.

Activities are all FREE to attend and mostly aimed at toddler through to teens, but there's something for the adults too! Just book a free place for each session via Eventbrite, details of which can be found on our website and social media. There will be a super fun workshop or coaching session to suit everyone, all taking place in various, easy to reach locations.

Make some memories and enjoy the town's many green spaces at our Forest School & Bushcraft sessions. Have fun and get active with our town centre Skateboarding, Scooter, Balance & Circus skills coaching. Enjoy some Theatrical Antics and a day at the town's market with street theatre and performances near the Burton Memorial. We can't wait to see you, so get booking from Monday 4th April via our website for your chance to take part...

www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk/summer-activities

Forest School Fun with Nature Noodles: Learn about wildlife and environment appreciation, exploring and understanding nature, tracking, bugs, dens, whittling willow, hammocks and slack lines, rope swings and web making, potions, crowns, natural art, clay and mindfulness - SEN sessions available on specific dates.

Mindfulness in the Forest with Nature Noodles: Enjoy mindful activities, including meditation and crafts. Be

guided through nature led mindfulness, learning to tune in to a meditative mindset using techniques you can then apply at home or during walks and simple activities. There are adults only sessions and a family session too.

Skateboard and Scooter Coaching Sessions with Team Rubicon: Skateboard and scooter expert coaching for beginners and improvers too.

Bushcraft with Nature Nurture: Bushcraft and Survival Skill sessions such as whittling and fire lighting to shelter making and knots, navigation and lots more!

Circus & Balance Skills: Circus skills with The Joker Entertainment. Learn an array of circus and balancing skills - juggling, balancing, plate spinning & unicycling.

Street Theatre performances: Rhubarb Theatre Company will visit Daventry High Street during market day with walkabout street theatre performances.

**Contact**: projects@daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk

#### **ACTIVITIES 2022**

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FOREST SCHOOL FUN & MINDFULNESS\*

Tue 26th Jul

\* booking essential

Wed 3rd, Mon 8th, Thu 18th, Sat 20th & Fri 26th Aug

**BEGINNER SCOOTER & SKATEBOARD SESSION\*** 

Wed 27th & Thu 28th Jul

NATURE NURTURE BUSHCRAFT\*

Wed 10th & Thu 11th Aug Sat 30th Jul

Thu 4th & Tue 16th Aug

CIRCUS & BALANCE SKILLS\* Tue 2nd, Wed 17th & Fri 25th Aug STREET THEATRE PERFORMANCES Fri 12th Aug

#### **EVENTS 2022**

**EASTER MARKET** Sat 2nd Apr DAVENTRY MOTORCYCLE FESTIVAL Sat 11th Jun **OUEENS CROWN MAKING WORKSHOPS** Sat 11th Jun **DAGA FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW** Sat 20th Aug **FARMERS MARKET** Sat 17th Sept **FIREWORKS** Sat 5th Nov **CHRISTMAS MARKET** Sat 26th Nov

#### **CIVIC EVENTS 2022**

**COMMONWEALTH DAY** Mon 14th Mar ARMED FORCES DAY Fri 24th Jun MERCHANT NAVY DAY Fri 2nd Sep ARMISTICE Fri 11th Nov REMEMBRANCE DAY Sun 13th Nov

Follow us to keep up to date on all our **FREE** 

events or visit our website: www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.uk

All events listed above are subject to change without prior notice



# DTC Ranger & PCSO

DTC Ranger & PCSO: Each day is different, some days they will be responding to antisocial behaviour, shop-lifting or begging incidents, the next day they could be assisting with first-aid or looking for a missing person.



PCSO MIA BALL & DTC
RANGER CHARLOTTE JONES

Although they work in partnership, their roles are quite different. The Town PCSO is sponsored by the Town Council but the role and remit is governed by the Police, the DTC Community Ranger is employed by the Town Council and the role and remit is to be an ambassador for the Town, promoting community safety wherever and whenever possible. Both roles work very closely with the Towns CCTV control room and businesses in the Town and the aim of all the partners is to promote a safe and enjoyable environment for residents and visitors to the Town.

As well as working in the town centre, the Community Ranger and Sponsored PCSO visit the residential areas and get involved in many events including the Emergency Services Fun Day and the regular litter picks, organised by Daventry Town Council.

They also attend town events such as the Spring market, Farmers market and Fireworks, they enjoy attending them, meeting the community and love the fact that they bring so many people into the town.

They also plan to arrange some events of their own;

- Hosting regular catch-ups, inviting people to pop along and have a chat about any concerns
- Bike Marking Sessions\*, these will be held at events throughout the year, the first being at the Daventry Motorcycle Festival.

Bike Marking is an individual stamp that is placed on your personal bike to help identify who the bike belongs to, which can then be easily identified if found after being lost or stolen. The scheme has been funded by Daventry Town Council and will be rolled out by the Daventry Neighbourhood Policing Team.

# PROTECT YOUR BIKE FROM THEFT

Register & Mark Your Bike For FREE

Daventry Town Council in Partnership with Northamptonshire Police are offering a **FREE** bike marking service at **Daventry Motorcycle Festival** 

No booking Required Just Bring Your Bike

SAT 11 JUNE 22 10AM - 4PM

www.daventrytowncouncil.gov.ul



**Operation Unite:** West Northamptonshire Council, Fire & Rescue, Northamptonshire Police and Daventry Town Council work in partnership under the banner Operation Unite to reduce: reduce anti-social behaviour and

arson, create a safer environment, early intervention for children & families, reduce refuse issues and fly tipping, educate local businesses around fire safety, offer free fire protection advice and work together as partners and local businesses to help solve local issues. Various events have been held in and around Daventry including the hugely popular Halloween & Bonfire Safety Event and Christmas Safety Event in

collaboration with our DTC Ranger and PCSO. Plans for the August **Operation Unite Fun Day 2022** at Danetre & Southbrook Learning Village (DSLV) are well under way with lots planned for all the family to enjoy. Keep a look

out on our socials for m o r e details nearer the time.

## Get in touch

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If you have any questions relating to:

- Bins, Recycling & Street Cleaning
- Council Tax
- Housing Enquiries

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