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Chairman's Communication

Cllr John Last BEM



Once again, welcome to the Autumn edition of the Town Council Newsletter. I hope you all have had some time for relaxation and enjoyment over the summer period.

Easing of the Covid restrictions may have given you the opportunity to meet up with loved ones and if this has been the case, I hope you were able to enjoy some quality time.

Since I wrote the Summer newsletter introduction, the Yarn Bombing and Creative Art Leiston all came to fruition in time for Suffolk Day which was well celebrated in Leiston. It was good to see so many involved and thank you to all involved.

As you will be aware the Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council, Transport Strategy Public Consultation was run through the month of August. I would like to thank residents for attending the two Exhibitions, Clinics and for the feedback forms that were completed and submitted.

As always around this time of year we begin to start planning arrangements for the annual Remembrance Parade. Last year of course, you will recall that due to the restrictions in place at the time,

although a parade and a service at St Margarets Church took place it wasn't as in previous years. Hopefully, this year it will be back to some degree of normality.

I have attended a number of functions of late including the launch of ABC Community Radio. It is good to see the station is up and running and already the volunteers are having a great deal of success for all their efforts. This can be a very important asset to our local communities in getting information out, particularly in situations where time might be of the essence. Of course there is also the entertainment value provided by some very talented people and for many a good companion to listen to.

The Leiston Library ran the usual children's Summer Reading Challenge and it was good to be able to go along to present the certificates and medals at the end of summer at a gathering at the Waterloo Centre. There were about seventy children who completed the challenge. Well done to everyone that took part, staff at the Library and the volunteers who made it all happen.

Alde Valley Academy held their Celebration evening at Snape Maltings in September and I was pleased to attend on behalf of the Town Council and hear about all the great achievements of the Students and present the Town Council sponsored Year 10 award.

Well done to the staff and students for putting on a great evening, which included some great musical entertainment as well.

The Town Council has set up a working group to discuss and put forward ideas on how the Skate Park can be improved and extended. I was pleased to sit in on the inaugural meeting where users of the Skate Park were invited to be part of the team and to put forward ideas for a design for the enhancements. The Skate Park is a very popular venue for young people and I am pleased that they will be having some input into the future of the Skate Park. I look forward to seeing this come to fruition in the near future.

After not being able to hold a Chairman's Reception in 2020 and delays this year due to the Pandemic and associated restrictions, it was good to finally be able to have the reception in September. It is always a pleasure to take the opportunity to thank individuals, groups



and organisations for all the good work they do in our community. I was able to mention the Freedom of the Town Certificates, that the Town Council agreed to grant to two long serving former Councillors in recognition of their service. Bill Howard served 32 years as a Town Councillor and the late Terry Hodgson had served 40 years up until his sad passing in 2019. This year, and I hope you all agree with me, I decided that the Chairman's Cup, which recognises contributions to our community, should go to the Leiston Surgery and Volunteers who so efficiently delivered the Covid Vaccination roll out programme in Leiston.

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you well and hope you remain safe.

John

John Last BEM
Chairman

Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council

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6-11-21
@ 10am



Join the **BIG DIG** WE NEED YOUR HELP



Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council

would like to invite **YOU** to join the **'BIG DIG'** on

SATURDAY 6 NOVEMBER at 10am

To help plant new bulbs and wild flower seeds at

Leiston's Community Orchard

King George's Avenue - near Leiston Primary School

Please bring your own gardening equipment and be a part of the Big Dig!

Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council



Leiston's Transport Strategy Update



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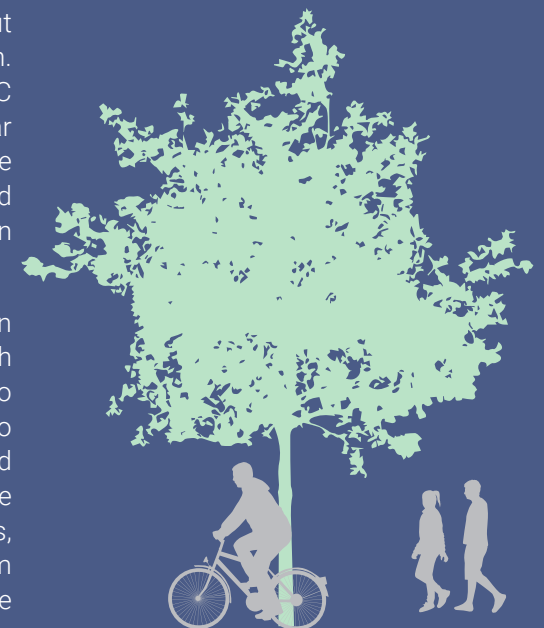
On the 2nd of August, Leiston - cum - Sizewell Town Council launched a consultation on some ambitious improvement plans for traffic management and community spaces in Leiston town centre. The wide-ranging set of proposals included a new one-way system, new bus routes, plans to enhance cycling infrastructure and several other initiatives to enhance the safety of pedestrians or road users, in addition to efforts to "green" the streetscape and create better spaces for use by the community.

This consultation follows on from the previous "town appraisal" which led to a series of options for reducing traffic in the town centre. Thanks to the support of Suffolk County Council Highways, new proposals have been developed to be put forward for our towns' consideration. With the possibility of the Sizewell C development commencing in the near future, the time is right to ask for the community's views on how we should manage traffic into and around the town centre.

The feedback process for this consultation was open for 4 weeks, within which time three one-to-one clinics and two exhibitions were held on the proposals to help the community make an informed view and send us comments. We have had some feedback on the proposals, with residents and businesses from giving us their views. Some parts of the

proposals attracted more feedback than others, highlighting the ambitious nature of some of the schemes proposed. This feedback will help us to determine the future of Leiston's town centre. What was clear from the responses was the appreciation of nature, the environment and the safety of our community are as important to the wider community as they are to the Town Council.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to respond with their views. We are currently analysing and summarising all the feedback into a report which we will share once available. Very soon we will be able to communicate what the next steps for the Transport Strategy are following this round of consultation.



Keeping Posted with Council and Local Services



The Leiston Surgery

Main St, Leiston, Suffolk, IP16 4ES

Tel: 01728 830 526

www.leistonsurgery.com

Dr Karen Blades
Dr Nicola Maggs
Dr Samir Pai
Dr Imran Qureshi
Dr Michael Barstow



Flu Season is here - Book your free flu jab today!

Call our reception team on
01728 830526 AFTER 10.30am
to find out whether you are
eligible and book.

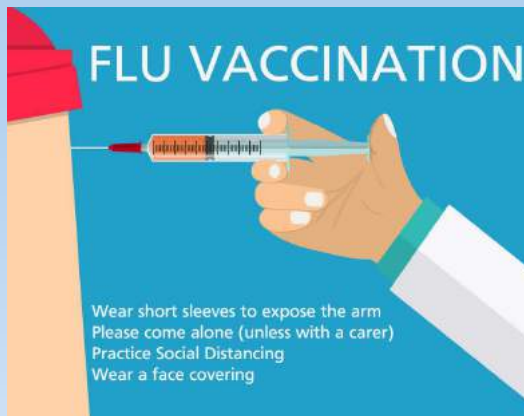
**The Flu Vaccination is free on
the NHS for anyone over the
age of 50 or in an 'At Risk'
group.**



Who should have the flu vaccine?

The flu vaccination is offered free of
charge to people considered 'at
risk'.

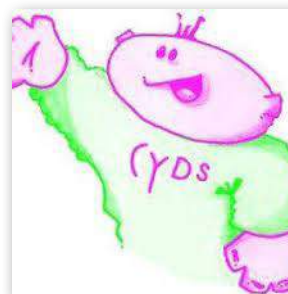
This is to help protect them against
catching flu and developing serious
complications.



You should have the flu vaccine if you:

- Are 50 years old or over
- Are pregnant
- Have certain long term medical conditions
- Are living in a long stay residential care home or similar facility
- Receive a carers allowance, or are the main carer for an elderly or disabled person

**Please note, in order to adhere
to government guidelines
surrounding COVID-19 all
patients will be required to wear
a face covering unless
medically exempt.**



Skate Jam 2021



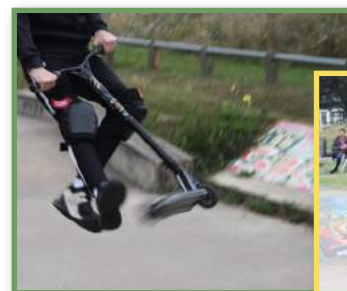
On Monday 30 August, CYDS held their
Leiston Skate Jam - an event that has
always been well attended and enjoyed by
the ever growing number of skaters and
BMX and Scooter Riders.

After 18 months of lockdowns, home-
schooling and job hunting, the young riders
were finally able to enjoy what they love -
whether it's skateboarding, BMX riding or
scooting - the Jam 2021 welcomed them
all. CYDS saw 32 young skaters and riders

hit the ramps and bars of Leiston's Skate
park and the 100+ sepectators enjoyed
watching as the skaters/riders showed
off what talent they had.

It was a great event, which saw winners of
the rounds receive prizes kindly donated
from WEBZ SKATEBOARDS.

To see more photos of the event
head to: [https://en-gb.facebook.com/
CYDSproject/](https://en-gb.facebook.com/CYDSproject/)



Photos by Jasmine Trotter



Leiston - cum - Sizewell Town Council
is excited to announce that they will be
working on upgrading and redeveloping
the exisiting Skate Park to benefit all
skaters and riders.

During CYDS Skate Jam, skaters
and riders were able to come and talk
to the Councillors and staff of the Town
Council and share they opinons about
the kind of ramps, bars and jumps they

would like
to see at
the park -
to ensure
we consider
all skaters and riders.

This project will be ongoing but if you
would like to find out more or would like
to get involved please contact Hannah on:
assets@leistoncouncil.gov.uk.

Skate Park Redevelopment Plans

An Update from Leiston Library

Leiston Library is open and back to our normal opening hours!

Our services are returning to the pre-Covid days with our activities, children's sessions and Book Groups meeting again. Reservations for books around the county are available, PC use, along with printing and photocopying. You can also pop in and collect your Lateral Flow Home Test Kit.

The Summer Reading Challenge has been a great success – over 100 children joining and lots successfully completing by reading 6 books during the summer holidays. We also had a certificate presentation at the Waterloo Centre to celebrate our completers!

A new play and stay session for parents and babies started on Thursday 16th September, 'Me Myself & Baby'. The group will meet during term time at 9.40 – 10.20. It's an informal group run by Suffolk Libraries in partnership with Suffolk Mind which offers a chance to meet other parents and fun for little ones, plus signposting to support if it's needed.

This will be followed every Thursday 10.30-11.00 by the return of our baby and toddler rhymetime session, 'Wordplay'. Just drop in and enjoy – grandparents welcome too.

We have a number of groups and activities running, please do come along and join us for....

Jigsaw Puzzle Club – every Tuesday 10.30-12

Scrabble Club – first Thursday of the month 2-3.30

Art for Fun – last Friday of the month 10.30-12.00

Merry Makers – second Saturday of the month 10.30-12

...and of course our **Book Groups** which meet monthly on a Tuesday and a Sunday, please contact us for dates and book details.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates.

We do have to continue to follow Government guidelines for those using the library – to keep us all safe, so remember to pop a mask on if you're coming along. And of course we're keeping things clean.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Leiston Library opening hours

- Mondays – closed
- Tuesdays - 9.30-2.30
- Wednesdays – closed
- Thursdays – 9.30-2.30
- Fridays – closed
- Saturdays – 9.30-2.30
- Sundays – closed

Tel 01728 831252

Email leiston.library@suffolklibraries.co.uk

Find us on Facebook 

www.suffolklibraries.co.uk



ARE YOU READY FOR THE EXPECTED INCREASE IN ENERGY COSTS?

If you are concerned about the expected increase in energy costs that are regularly being reported in the press, and worried about how you will pay these bills, it is even more important to check you are on the best tariff for you.

Our website www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/ has a host of information and a price comparison tool. If you find this whole area daunting then do get in touch and we can guide you through the process.

We suggest first point of contact for advice by email, phone and post on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from 10-2pm alongside the new appointment service. Call us on 01728 832193 or Freephone 0808 278 7868. Or email: supervisor@leistoncab.cabnet.org.uk to make contact.

We have recently resumed our face-to-face appointments in Leiston. These appointments must be pre-booked by phoning 01728 642960 – the lines are open 10am-4pm Mon-Fri. To meet government guidelines, we have had to adapt the way we have traditionally worked. We are restricted on numbers of people allowed in at any one time so even with an appointment you may have to wait outside before you can enter. We thank you for your understanding while we reopen our offices and look forward to seeing our clients face-to-face once again.



How can we help you?

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We remain open for advice by phone and email (Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri – 10am-2pm).
Call: 01728 832193 or Freephone 0808 278 7868.
Or email: supervisor@leistoncab.cabnet.org.uk to make contact.



We're here to help. Whatever the problem. For free and independent advice.



Work commences on the Church Square

The Leiston Community Land Trust and the United Church are very grateful to all the members of Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council for their generous donation towards our Church Garden Project. The grant support has allowed us to engage our contractors to start the physical work. We invited the Town Councillors to join us in the garden so that we could say thank you and all have a final look before work commences.



Credit: Jenny Pearson

We want to express our sincere thanks to the young people at CYDS for their work in the Community Garden at the side of the Church during their summer break. They have been busy rescuing some of the existing plants and furniture, some of which are memorials or of sentimental value, as well as lifting the block paving, all to be re-used or recycled. They have even pulled up the weed membrane, which is terrific as the local detectorists are going to do a survey for hidden finds.

The CYDS work has been possible due a grant from the Community Partnership.

Thanks to Stuart Watson for the photos.



The very talented team at JT Pegg are working on the entrance way arches.
<https://jtpeggandsons.co.uk/>



Thanks to the support of EDF Sizewell B for putting this part of the project into action. These are metal feature arches that reflect the ones shown in our concept sketches.

The building contractors have moved in. Rosewoods Building Services have begun the ground works and foundations for the new doorway into the United Church hall.
<http://www.rosewoods.co.uk/> They have even managed to get a skip in the alley way to remove the spoil.



The exterior work is also progressing and Rosewoods have moved onto the wall in the Church Hall. It is going to be such a lovely space with new bi-fold doors. Thank you to all those individuals, businesses, trusts and grants that have supported the project so far. We still need your support to fund a few finishing touches such as cycle racks, bins or a bench. This is a community project for local people so if you want to help please see our funding page –

www.gofundme.com/f/leiston-community-land-trust



LEISTON ALLOTMENT HOLDERS AND GARDENERS ASSOCIATION



The presentation for The best kept Allotment took place on the 27th July.

The winner of the prize was Mr. & Mrs. Turner who have Plot no: SIZ7. The allotments were judged at the beginning of July by a judge from Southwold. He commented on the winning plot as producing produce of an excellent

condition with lots of variation of produce.

Mr. & Mrs Turner only took over the plot in spring time and with the help of their grandchildren planting sunflowers and other flowers are well deserved winners.

Presentation was made by the Chairman of the Council Councillor J. Last BEM.

Jan Lovell - Allotment Association



Thank You to all those who planted their 'Wild Seeds' this year, we would still love to see any photos of your wild flowers - please post them on our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/leistonmakesspace/>

Keep your eyes peeled for next year!

A Greener Leiston



Net Zero Leiston

Community Update - September/October



We are approaching the much-anticipated release of the Net Zero Leiston Routemap. This will provide a plan for how Leiston parish can achieve "Net Zero" carbon emissions and provide a blueprint for similar towns up and down the country.

The Net Zero Leiston Routemap will showcase all of the hard work, detailed calculations and community feedback achieved over the past 18 months. This replicable plan shows the current level of carbon emissions being emitted in the town, how these have been measured and what solutions can reduce those emissions.

The Routemap addresses carbon emissions from buildings, transport and agriculture. Solutions to reduce these carbon emissions include:

- Low carbon heating and energy efficiency for Leiston's buildings
- Exploring electric vehicles for Leiston residents and local businesses
- Improvement of Leiston's green spaces and biodiversity



Visit the Net Zero Leiston Website now to view our educational video on the project:

www.netzeroleiston.info

Look out for the announcement on the Routemap launch from the Town Council.

You can still get involved in Net Zero Leiston today!

Visit the website and head to the "pilot schemes" section to sign up:

- You can benefit from the Net Zero Leiston exclusive tariff "Better Together".
- See if you are eligible for free insulation through our funding schemes.

More pilots looking to be introduced in the coming months.

Creative Leiston



As summer draws to a close, so too does the Yarn Bombing that has livened our streets, our shops and our gardens. A massive thank you to everyone that got stuck in and showed how brilliant our little town can be!

Although the majority of our creations are being removed now to clean and repair, never fear! Each year we plan to bring you more so for anyone wanting to join in the biggest community adventure Leiston has likely seen, we're looking to help celebrate her Majesties Platinum Jubilee next June.

Alongside the fabulous Leiston Events Group, we would love to go bigger and better and, with the help of the students at Alde Valley Academy, Leiston Primary, Coldfair Green Primary, our motley crew of Crafters and your good selves, that's exactly what we plan to do!

Prior to that though, after the phenomenal success of the Spelling Bee Trail which was held on 20th June and ended up with 150 children following the trail and trying their hands at some free craft activities (made possible through the kind support of Refill Zero Waste Shop and Leiston Worry Tree Cafe), we will be doing a little something special for Halloween this year.

Join us on Saturday 30th October 2021 between 10am - 4pm for a Trick or Treat trail and a Monster Making session. A number of shops and businesses in the town will have a selection of treats for you to collect as well as a puzzle piece. Once you have them all you can try to put them together to form your very own freaky colouring picture. You'll know which shops are taking part by the handmade Halloween characters on display in their windows.

Once you've finished with the Trick or Treating, come join us at the Long Shop Museum where you can dive right in with making your very own creatures of the night to take home or, if you wish, leave with us to create a Haunted Hollow for the night time!

And to see the year out, we are once again working alongside Leiston Events Group to help bring you the Leiston Christmas Street Fair on December 4th 2021.

To once again help bring a bit of variety and joy to all, our Crafters and sShools are working together to create a range of decorations and scenes to fill our shop

fronts and more importantly, decorate our town Christmas Tree! Personally, we look forward to seeing what delicacies and delights we get to partake in from both the craft stalls and stalls set up by our fantastic shopkeepers, all helping re-invigorate the town and bring back some proper community Christmas spirit!

If you would like to get involved in any of



Leiston Events Group is pleased to announce that an 'Independent Traders Christmas Fair' is being held in the town on Saturday 4th December 2021.

After the last couple of years, this will be a great opportunity for the town to come together to celebrate the start of the Christmas season. As the theme is all about 'Independent Trading', we'd like to encourage as many shops, businesses and organisations to get involved. There will be Christmas crafts, live music, Fun Fair, Santa's Grotto and plenty of family Christmas magic.

With the help of Creative Leiston/Yarn Bombing, we are hoping to make the Town look extra special during the Christmas period. To help involve the shops, we would like to run our usual, 'Best Dressed Shop Window Competition' and a

our projects, would like to suggest ideas or find out what else we have going on, please feel free to join the:

Creative Leiston group on FaceBook,

#creativeleiston on Instagram

Email: CreativeLeiston@gmail.com

'Children's Shop Window Treasure Hunt'. This is an ideal event to help promote your business. A section of the High Street will be closed for the occasion.

As well as limited spaces for inside Craft stalls, we can accommodate any number of outside stalls. If you are interested in having a stall or taking part in the Christmas Fair, please email leistoneventsgroup@gmail.com. Further updates will be available in the coming weeks either in the local press or via our website leistonevents.com. We would also welcome any offers of help to run the event and or become a member of our group.





Our exciting new library!



As we welcome our families to the beginning of another academic year we hope that everyone has had the opportunity to experience a break of some kind over the summer and got the chance to enjoy some form of 'normality'. After a challenging couple of years, we look ahead to the 2021/2022 year with hope and optimism that our children will experience some stability in their education.

The end of the Summer term saw exciting projects come to fruition!

Firstly, a huge library revamp which will be officially opened this term. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we will be welcoming some of the famous faces who supported our West End World Book Day spectacular back in March, to help us. This project also supports our ongoing work creating a culture of Oracy and language development lead by our inhouse expert, Sarah Loxley. Sarah has worked around the Country training practitioners in improving the culture of language in their schools.

Secondly, we redeveloped our Early Years department, taking inspiration from the Curiosity Approach. This was a labour of love for all members of the team, lead by our Early Years Lead, Charlotte Miller. The aim of the redevelopment is to support young children's focus and concentration as well as social communication skills.



Outstanding Early Years space!

The end of the last academic year also saw a truly outstanding performance from our Year 6 and Year 5 pupils hosted by Wayne Burns and the team at Leiston Film Theatre. 'Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies' saw the final performance end with a standing ovation for our children whose pride and enjoyment shone on the theatre's stage. We hope that this will be repeated next year.

All of this as well as; Year 6 activity week, sailing at Aldeburgh Yacht Club, contributing to 'Creative Leiston' with excellent displays at The Long Shop and in the library and football triumph in the first Avocet sports tournament since the beginning of the pandemic to name but a few things in the last half of the Summer Term alone!

We are welcoming record numbers through our doors this year in our Reception classes and only have minimal

spaces left throughout the rest of the school! This is testament to the continued passion and drive of our school team to make sure that the children in our community get the best start to their education alongside continued school development and a highly supportive school community.

Is your child due to start school in September 2022 or are you interested in becoming part of our school community including our wonderful Nursery? We will be holding an open day on **THURSDAY 7th OCTOBER 2021** (subject to any changes in Covid regulations), with guided tours at 9:45m and 1:30pm. Get in contact to find out more and book your slot now to come and see us in action. Either email us on: leiston.admin@avocetacademy.org or phone us on **01728 830745**

Leiston Primary School

SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

Take a school tour with our Headteacher, Mrs Geater

'Together we nurture excellence through aspiration'

OUR SCHOOL OFFER

- Rated Good by Ofsted
- Nursery provision from 3 years old
- An Early Years department recognised at County wide level for the quality of provision
- Wide Enrichment programme
- Emotional wellbeing programmes such as THRIVE, ELSA AND Yoga
- Forest Schools
- Breakfast and After School clubs
- Tailored curriculum to suit the needs of individuals
- Mathematics Specialist Teachers
- English Specialist Teachers

Find us

www.leistonprimary.org.uk

Contact us

leiston.admin@avocetacademy.org

01728 830745



It has been an extremely hectic but successful summer at Alde Valley Academy. Our wholehearted congratulations go to our Year 11 students who have performed remarkably well in their GCSE assessments despite the extreme disruption caused by the pandemic. Our students have worked tirelessly alongside our dedicated staff to produce the high quality assessment material which provided the evidence required for the Teacher Assessed Grades. The progress and academic outcomes of our students continues to rise year on year.

September has seen an 'unusual' start to the academic year with all students receiving two Lateral Flow Device Covid-19 tests at the start of the term. This has been no mean feat with record numbers of students in the school. Year 7 was again oversubscribed and we welcome new students into all year groups on a daily basis.

To accommodate our rapidly growing school population we have recruited six new members of staff and have restructured the middle leadership of the school to ensure that we are continuing to deliver a high quality education every lesson of every day. In order to add to our high quality teaching facilities we have refurbished the top floor of the East block and turned it into the Maths department. Over the summer holidays we have relocated the OASIS centre and have created a new Library to instil literacy and our love of reading at the centre of all that we do. Please come along and see our fantastic new facilities at our Open Evening on Tuesday 5 October 2021.

Due to Covid restrictions over the past 18 months we have had to postpone a number of 'celebration' events including the Year 11 Prom and the Presentation Evening. I am delighted to say that we were able to give our Year 11 students a great send off at their Prom on 11 August and we are looking forward to our Presentation Evening at Snape Maltings Concert Hall on Tuesday 14 September.

Alde Valley Academy continues to be the 'School of Choice'.

Dan Mayhew - Headteacher

DATE FOR THE DIARY

Do you have a club or an event you would like others to know about?

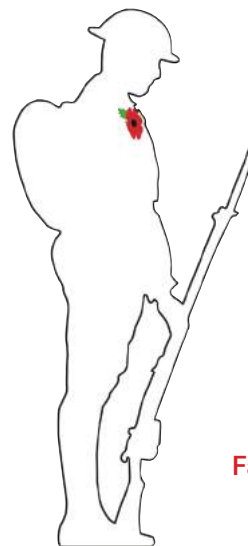
Then please do email any news you would like to share to

assets@leistontowncouncil.gov.uk

by Monday 29th November 2021.



November is the time for remembrance when we remember all those who have died, been injured or suffered mental issues during times of conflict in defence of this country and freedom for the world. The Royal British Legion raises money through the Poppy Appeal to help those injured ex-service personnel and their dependants. This national appeal starts on Saturday 30 October and ends on 13 November and volunteers will be busy collecting donations throughout the town. The East of England Co-operative have agreed collectors can be at their Sizewell Road store on **Thursday 4th, Friday 5th, Saturday 6th, Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th November.** Poppies, Remembrance crosses and metal 2021 Poppy brooches will be available along with other items.



Our Tommy

Our Tommy was funded by the Leiston Community and he is now ready to find his resting spot for us all to remember those that have fought for their country and sadly lost their lives to protect others.

Throughout October we would like **you** to vote where 'Our Tommy' should stand, from the three places below:

A: St Margaret's Church - War Memorial

B: The Long Shop - Inside

C: The Long Shop Garden

To Vote:

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Leistontowncouncil/>

Email: assets@leistontowncouncil.gov.uk

In Person/Phone: Pop via the Council Office - 01728 830388
(Please note opening hours for Council Office on the back of the newsletter)

POPPY APPEAL 2021

Collecting boxes and poppies will be situated at several premises in both Leiston and Sizewell. If Covid-19 regulations permit there will also be house to house collections.

Regular volunteers will be contacted near the time to arrange ways in which they can help if they wish. As always new volunteers are always very welcome. I know that several regular collectors are not able to help this year so please contact me either by email pm42carter@gmail.com or telephone **01728 831852**.

*Please support
The Royal British Legion
Poppy Appeal!*

Pat Carter, Local Organiser



New Autumn / Winter Concerts announced at Leiston Abbey!

It has been a busy time for us here at Leiston Abbey with our music school running back-to-back residencies and lots of other events taking place off site.

As we head into late Summer, we have released our new Autumn/Winter concert dates to give us all something special to look forward to.

These concerts are always very popular and do get booked up quickly so early booking is advisable. All concerts are performed by our own CEO Andrew Quartermain on the piano and the talented Noel Vine on violin. Food is at the heart of all our events at Leiston Abbey and our evening concerts include a tasty, themed meal to compliment the music.

To start we have a "French Night Concert" on the 18th of September, an evening with a special Gallic flavour, followed by "Music of the Mountains Concert" on the 9th of October.

For the first time, this series we are excited to include a special concert for families and children up to the age of 12 years old. It will be a "Halloween Concert" on 30th of October at 2pm and we hope the children will take the opportunity

to come dressed up as their favourite spooky character. Everyone is welcome to bring their own picnic food and there will be cupcakes and snacks available to buy. Adult tickets are just £10, and all accompanied children can come for free! An evening "Halloween Concert" follows at 6pm the same day.

On the 13th of November Join us for a Mediterranean themed evening during our "Italian Night Concert".

In the run up to the Christmas festivities why not join us for our "Advent Night Concert" on the 4th of December and enjoy a relaxing evening of music and food.

The concert series also includes our ever popular "Classic Chill does Christmas Concerts", two evenings of festive music on the 18th and 19th of December, Christmas dinner, mulled wine and truffles. Again, early booking is advisable.

To conclude we have a Gala New Year's Day Concert on the 1st of January. Come and celebrate a New Year with canapes, Fizz and a main course along with music to start 2022 in style.

The full concert series with dates and prices, below. All evening concerts include food:

18th September- **French Night** 6pm Tickets £17.50/ £25 "Fizz" upgrade

9th October- **Music of the Mountains** (from Grieg to Mozart) 6pm £17.50/ £25

30th October- **Halloween theme: Children's party concert.** 2pm adults £10 accompanied children come free. Fancy dress.

30th October- **Adults Halloween concert.** 6pm £17.50/ £25

13th November- **Italian Night** 6pm £17.50/ £25

4th December- **Advent Night** 6pm £17.50/ £25

18th December- **Classical Chill does Christmas** 1- 6pm Tickets £25 to include mulled wine and truffles.

19th December- **Classical Chill does Christmas** 2- 6pm Tickets £25 to include mulled wine and truffles

1st Jan 2022- **Gala New Year's Day concert** - 6pm Tickets £35 canapes, main course and fizz included.

To book either call the office on 01728 831354 or visit our website:

Procorda.com

Or book via TicketSource:

www.ticketsource.co.uk

We very much look forward to welcoming you to The Abbey!

Katy Osborne-Palmer
PA to CEO Leiston Abbey.



LEISTON WORKS RAILWAY presents a **MODEL RAILWAY SHOW**
Commemorating the 55th anniversary of the withdrawal of passenger services to Leiston, Thorpeness and Aldeburgh.

SATURDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2021
FROM 10.00am TO 4.00pm

SIZEWELL SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB
KING GEORGES AVENUE, LEISTON IP16 4JX

A SELECTION OF MODEL RAILWAY LAYOUTS IN THE MAIN HALL
LIVE STEAM OUTSIDE (WEATHER PERMITTING)

PLUS A CHANCE TO SEE THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS OF THE LEISTON WORKS RAILWAY

ADMISSION £2.00 PER ADULT
CHILDREN under 16 FREE

FOOD & BEVERAGES AVAILABLE ALL DAY


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FOR MORE DETAILS PHONE 07769 906035
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FINAL FLING

SUNDAY 24TH OCTOBER | 10AM UNTIL 4PM
THE LONG SHOP MUSEUM, LEISTON, IP16 4ES

CRAFT STALLS, LIVE STEAM, FOOD AND DRINK

TICKETS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE VIA
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Thursday 30th September	3.00 & 7.15
Friday 1st October	3.00 & 7.15
Saturday 2nd October	2.00 & 6.00
Sunday 3rd October	2.00 & 6.00
Monday 4th October	3.00 & 7.15
Tuesday 5th October	3.00 & 7.15
Wednesday 6th October	3.00 & 7.15
Thursday 7th October	3.00 & 7.15
Friday 8th October	3.00 & 7.15
Saturday 9th October	2.00 & 6.00
Sunday 10th October	2.00 & 6.00
Monday 11th October	3.00 & 7.15
Tuesday 12th October	3.00 & 7.15
Wednesday 13th October	3.00 & 7.15
Thursday 14th October	3.00 & 7.15



Enjoy NO TIME TO DIE with a 007 special ...
 A premier seat, a Vodka Martini or glass
 of Prosecco for only £14.95 per person.



BOND IS BACK!

The eagerly awaited new James Bond film, *No Time to Die*, is finally coming to the big screen and will be showing at Leiston Film Theatre from the UK release date of Thursday 30th September.

The 25th instalment in the Bond franchise, marks Daniel Craig's final appearance as British secret service agent, 007 and also stars Rami Malek as the new Bond villain, Safin – one who really gets under Bond's skin.

The film was originally due to arrive in cinemas in April 2020 and has been moved several several times, due to the Covid 19 pandemic, leaving film fans frustrated. But now, Bond is back and it certainly looks as if *No Time to Die* is going to be a 'must-see' cinematic event.

In the film, Bond has left active service. His peace is short-lived when his old friend Felix Leiter from the CIA turns up asking for help to rescue a kidnapped scientist, leading Bond onto the trail of a mysterious, yet frightening villain armed with dangerous new technology.



The film's thrilling trailer has already got cinema-goers excited ahead of its release and the film's theme song, performed by Billie Eilish, won a Best Song Grammy in 2020.

007

For Leiston Film Theatre, 007's arrival is a momentous moment. This film is so significant to cinema, after our lengthy closures and at Leiston Film Theatre, we see 007 aiding our rescue, as much as saving the world on screen. We now need people to support us and celebrate cinema with the perfect big screen blockbuster.

No Time to Die is showing at Leiston Film Theatre from the UK release date of Thursday 30th September. Booking is strongly advised. For tickets and times, contact the box office on 01728 830549 or visit: www.leistonfilmtheatre.co.uk

Leiston Film Theatre celebrates Cliff Richard on stage and screen in October

Having had to postpone his 80th birthday celebrations in 2020, Cliff Richard returns in October and invites you all to be part of the most fabulous big screen party of the year! The Great 80 Tour will be broadcast LIVE from the Royal Albert Hall and will feature a selection of his greatest hits. This will be Cliff's most exciting tour yet and will have you swaying in your seats.

The concert will be screening LIVE at Leiston Film Theatre on Wednesday 27th October at 7.45pm, with a matinee encore screening on Sunday 31st October at 2.30pm. Tickets are priced £15.95 and are available from the Leiston Film Theatre box office on 01728 830549 and at: www.leistonfilmtheatre.co.uk



Featuring many of the hits made famous by The Shadows and Cliff Richard, this is going to be one show not to be missed, with profits being donated to the East Anglian Air Ambulance.

The Bootleg Shadows and Jimmy Jemain appear LIVE at the Film Theatre on Sunday 17th October at 7.30pm. Tickets are priced £20.00 and are available from the Leiston Film Theatre box office on 01728 830549 and at: www.leistonfilmtheatre.co.uk

Also returning by popular demand, The Bootleg Shadows return to Leiston Film Theatre in October, with special guest Jimmy Jemain, from TV's Stars in Their Eyes as Cliff Richard, in celebration of Cliff's 80th birthday. Endorsed by Sir Cliff himself, Jimmy's uncanny likeness has taken him all over the world and he is looking forward to coming to Suffolk in October.



Panto returns to Leiston Film Theatre...oh yes it does!

The fabulous family Pantomime that's fee - fi - fo - FUN!

FEATURING THE
CHLOE KINRADE
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LIVE MUSICAL
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TOM HORTON

Jack and the Beanstalk

Appearing LIVE at Leiston Film Theatre
Thurs 13th - Sun 16th Jan 2022

Thurs 13th/Fri 14th: 7.30pm

Sat 15th: 3.00pm & 7.30pm | Sun 16th: 11.00am & 3.00pm

Tickets: Adult £16.95, Senior £15.95 & Child: £14.95

£1.00 OFF ALL TICKETS FOR THE OPENING NIGHT

Box Office: 01728 830549 | www.leistonfilmtheatre.co.uk



Leiston Works Railway

Reviving Leiston's Railway Heritage

The Leiston Works Railway (LWR) are delighted to announce their next event which is the *Leiston Works Railway Model Railway Show*.



This event is taking place at the Sizewell Sports and Social Club in Leiston on Saturday 23rd October 2021. It has been organised for this date as it is close to the 55th anniversary of the withdrawal of passenger services to Leiston, Thorpeness and Aldeburgh. The last official passenger service left Aldeburgh on the 10th of September 1966. The track itself was actually left down until the spring of 1968 when they started to lift it.

The show will be in the main hall of the venue and will be open from 10.00am until 4.00pm.

In the hall there will be a selection of model railway layouts. The LWR will also take the opportunity to bring everyone up to date with an exhibition showing the progress that has been made so far with the project. Also available, to help with LWR funds, will be railway books and magazines to purchase at reasonable prices. The *Mid Suffolk Light Railway* and the *Halesworth to Southwold Narrow Gauge Society* will also be bringing their

stands to show their latest progress.

Weather permitting, the *Halesworth to Southwold Narrow Gauge Railway Society* will also be bringing their Outdoor Narrow Gauge Steam Railway.

The Sizewell Club will have food and beverages available to purchase throughout the day during the model railway show.

Admission to the the show is only £2.00 per adult with children under the age of 16 getting in for free.

Free parking is available at the venue. The address of the Sizewell Sports and Social Club is King Georges Avenue, Leiston, Suffolk. IP16 4JX.

For more details about the show please contact 07769 906 035. You can also follow the progress of the LWR on the Leiston Works Railway Facebook page.

The Leiston Works Railway look forward to seeing you there!

Please note: The LWR cannot be held responsible for the unavailability of any model railway exhibit.

Do you own a model railway that you have been painstakingly building? Have you ever considered showing it at a model railway show? If so the Leiston Works Railway would like to hear from you so that they can get in touch for future model railway shows. Please contact the LWR on the telephone number above.

Handy Information...



www.suffolk.police.uk/your-area/leiston

Suffolk Police: 101 (ask for Leiston SNT)

Email: leistonaldeburgh.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

101 is the police number to report any non emergency.



The Leiston Surgery

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Main Street, Leiston, IP16 4ES

Email: sec.leistonsurgery@nhs.net

DOCTORS: N Maggs, K Blades, S Pai, I Qureshi, M Barstow

Public Defibrillator: Outside Co-op (Sizewell Road) and Children's Centre (Waterloo Avenue).

Other defibrillators are available (when open) in the Community Centre, the Library and the Film Theatre.



Report It! at www.suffolk.gov.uk/about/online-services

EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL: www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk

Tel: 03330 162000

SC NORSE: refuse collection/dog bins/recycling

Tel: 03450 402020

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL:

Tel: 08456 077055

Highways: Tel: 0800 591055 **Social Care:** Tel: 03456 066067 **Bus Passes:** Tel: 03456 000659

Local Services...

Community Car Service: Tel: 831215

Job Centre: Tel: 401004

Library: Tel: 831252

Long Shop Museum: Tel: 832189

Leisure Centre: Tel: 830364

Citizens Advice: Tel: 832193

LEEWAY: Tel: 0845 2142171

(Domestic violence & abuse service)

CRUSE : Tel: 01394 670770

(Bereavement Care)

The Ferns: Tel: 01473 668974

(Sexual Assault Referral Centre)

Leiston Primary School: Tel: 830745

Alde Valley Academy: Tel: 830570

SCotC Tel: 07767114770

(Suffolk New College on the Coast)

Leiston Good Neighbour Scheme:

Tel: 07724 777465 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm
leistongoodneighbour@gmail.com

Local Organisations...

Leiston Children's Centre: Tel: 642930

LFT Support Club: (Leiston Film Theatre) Tel: 831714

Leiston Scouts: (Steven Burch) Tel: 832479

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Wednesday: Closed

Thursday & Friday: 09:00 - 12:30

