

Warminster Town Council newsletter

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Mayor Cllr Stacie Allensby

"Hello Warminster, what a busy few months we have had. The [Warminster Independent Autumn Market](#) and [Pumpkins in the Park](#) were both huge successes.

Warminster Town Council remains committed to working with the younger generation in the town as well as putting on events for the whole community to enjoy. We now look ahead to the super [Warminster Christmas Celebrations](#) on Saturday 30th November.

We also welcome our [new councillor Elizabeth Lee](#) to the Broadway Ward. I enjoy seeing what the following months will bring."

Dates for your diary

- **Sunday 10th November:** [Warminster Remembrance Day Parade and Sunday Service](#)
- **Tuesday 12th November:** [Mayor's Birthday Charity Curry Night](#)
- **Friday 15th and Saturday 16th November:** [Become a town councillor](#)
- **Saturday 30th November:** [Warminster Christmas Celebrations](#)



Countdown to Christmas

Warminster will host its [biggest ever Christmas celebrations](#) on Saturday 30th November, from 10am to 6pm. The Warminster Business Network (WBN) in conjunction with Warminster Town Council are finalising exciting plans with roads once again closed in the town centre and more than 100 stalls across the High Street, Market Place and in the Civic Centre.

Read more [here](#).



Pumpkins galore in park

[Pumpkins in the Park 2024](#) saw hundreds of Warminster residents head to the Lake Pleasure Grounds on Sunday 27th October.

An excited atmosphere greeted visitors as more than 100 carved pumpkins entered the free competition.

The event provided fun for all the family, including a spectacular fire show extravaganza by Kat Collett, who wowed the crowd with a breathtaking performance.

Read more [here](#).

Keep up to date

[Head to the Warminster Town Council website](#) to see full details on local events, activities and keep up-to-date on the latest Warminster news.



We need your local heroes

Do you know someone or a group who dedicates themselves to helping others or is involved in voluntary work for the benefit of Warminster? Then nominate them for the **2024 Civic Awards**.

The winners will be invited to an award ceremony where they will receive a certificate presented by the Mayor of Warminster, Cllr Allensby, and be joined by family and friends for an afternoon tea with the mayor and other councillors.

Read more [here](#).

Warminster Neighbourhood Plan update 15 sites put forward

[The Warminster Neighbourhood Plan \(WNP\)](#) will enter its Site Assessment stage after 15 sites were put forward by landowners and developers for consideration during the Warminster Neighbourhood Plan 'Call for Sites'. A 'Call for Sites' is a way to suggest sites that might be available for development in the future, which is a standard procedure in plan making. It's important to note that this is an opportunity for anyone to suggest sites that they would like to be considered for development in the Neighbourhood Plan. The 'Call for Sites' does not determine how much new development is needed, or whether a site will be allocated in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Based on the housing allocation detailed in the draft Wiltshire Local Plan, the WNP Steering Group is looking to identify suitable land for up to around 90 houses to be built in Warminster by 2038.

What happens to the sites put forward

To assist the WNP Steering Group with the Site Assessment process, Warminster Town Council has been successful in securing technical support from the Government. This will enable a detailed assessment of all the sites and proposed uses to be undertaken and help to determine their potential suitability.

The community will have a say at every stage

Once the assessment is completed, the most suitable site or sites will be put forward for public consultation. Where the community shows majority support, sites will be included in a draft of the new Neighbourhood Plan. In 2025, the draft Neighbourhood Plan will then go through a number of stages including public consultation and independent examination. Following this, the Plan will also be subject to a referendum, giving Warminster residents and stakeholders the final say on its adoption.

Flooding focus

Residents can sign up to flood warning services such as the Environment Agency or the Met Office to receive weather updates; make a flood plan; and consider flood defence measures. For further information and for the key organisation's responsibilities [click here](#).

Interested in becoming a volunteer flood warden?

Warminster Town Council are always keen to recruit additional flood wardens. The role of a flood warden includes:

- Reporting blocked gullies, ditches and streams
- Recording details of when heavy rain occurs so better preventative measures can be put in place
- Supporting residents by directing them to where they can get advice

Full training will be provided together with protective equipment and clothing. If you're interested in joining the team phone 01985 214847 or email admin@warminster-tc.gov.uk.

Become a town councillor

Warminster Town Council is encouraging residents to find out what is involved in being a town councillor. All seats on the town council will be up for re-election in May 2025.

[Drop-in events](#) are being held at the Civic Centre in Sambourne Road – on Friday 15th November from 5pm to 7pm and on Saturday 16th November from 10am to 12 noon. These events will give residents a chance to chat with existing councillors and staff, get some information and ask any questions they might have about the role.

For more information [click here](#).

Tidy-up Smarten-up

Warminster Town Council continues to work alongside the Warminster Business Network to encourage footfall and bring life into the town. Initiatives include:

- Supporting popular events including seasonal markets
- Improving the street scene – repainting finger posts, cleaning bus shelters and removing high street weeds
- Erection of bunting to enhance overall appeal of the town

For more information email chair@warminsterbusinessnetwork.co.uk or admin@warminster-tc.gov.uk

Some of the things Warminster Town Council is responsible for:

- The Lake Pleasure Grounds
- The Pavilion Café
- Nine Play Areas
- Hanging baskets
- Street sweeper – 'Basil Brushes'
- Public Toilets in Central Car Park
- The Obelisk and War Memorial
- Yeates Meadow
- CCTV for Warminster and Westbury

Information

For information regarding bins, council tax, housing solutions, highways and road repairs contact Wiltshire Council on 0300 4560 100 or [click here](#)

Contact information

Please see our website for councillor contact details:

warminster-tc.gov.uk/administration

Warminster Lake Pleasure Grounds
Facebook page:

facebook.com/warminsterpark

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