

# Biddulph Town Council Update



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### Events to look forward to

Every month we publish an Events Guide, listing the activities going on within the Town Hall. Pop in for a copy, and join one of the groups that meet here regularly.

Our next Dementia Friendly Cinema sessions are: Wednesday 29 March and Wednesday 3 May, 1.30pm, with lots of tea and cake.

Dementia Cinema 2023 Wednesdays at 1.30pm Biddulph Town Hall

May 3rd - Downton Abbey The Movie

July 5th - Carry On Nurse

September 13th - The Italian Job

October 25th - Carry On Screaming

December 6th - Home Alone

Free with complimentary refreshments open to all These sessions are suitable for people with dementia, those experiencing other illnesses or people who want to spend time with others, in a relaxed friendly environment.

The Mayor's Charity Civic Ball will take place on Friday 28 April. Tickets are available from the Town Hall reception.

There are two groups at the Town Hall, which are relatively new. The Bereavement Group and the Dementia Café

both take place once a month. Please see the advert for dates for the next couple of months.

Biddulph Town Council has a focus on health and wellbeing during 2023-4. We have created a Health and Wellbeing Working Group. There is a



busy work plan for this group and we are looking forward to holding our first Health and Wellbeing Fair on Friday 21 April at the Town Hall.

We are busy making arrangements for the Coronation weekend in May. The focus for the Town Council will be on holding a number of free events across the town, in partnership with other organisations across the town. If you would like to get involved in plans for this weekend, please get in touch. More information to follow!



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## **Local Government Elections**

On 4 May 2023, you will be able to vote for Town and District Councillors, who will serve for the next four years. Please make sure you are registered to vote.

If you would like to find out more about the role of a Town Councillor, or are considering becoming a Councillor, you can find more information here: https://www.biddulph.co.uk/councillor-duties-the-democratic-process/

Or call into the Town Hall. Don't forget, this is the first election where you will need to take ID to the polling station. Please make sure you check what ID you need to take.

Following the elections, the Annual Meeting of the Town Council (Mayor Making) will take place on Tuesday 16 May, with the Annual Town meeting being held on 23 May.

### Town Council grants

At the beginning of April, the new application form and guidance will be available for the Town Council grant fund; the scheme closes at the beginning of June. If you would like to find out more about this, please see here: https://www.biddulph.co.uk/grant-awards-schemes/

### Cost of Living support

Whilst the weather is starting to improve, we are conscious that the challenges with rising costs may not have eased for some households. Over the winter months, partners and the Town Council as part of the 'Biddulph Works Together' project have provided around 2000 warm meals for people within the town. At the Town Hall, we can offer advice about energy bills and help to signpost you to organisations that can help. Please don't struggle alone.

# BIDDULPH TOWN HALL COMMUNITY

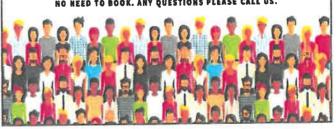
GROUPS

Biddulph Local People's Group 10.00-12 00 pm Every Tuesday

Biddulph Bereavement Friendship Group 10,30-12.30 pm Wednesday 12th April & Wednesday 10th May

Approach Staffordshire Dementia Carer Support Group 10.30-12.80 pm

Thursday läth April & Thursday lith May



Useful Information: Here are the telephone numbers of other Councils in the area: Staffs Moorlands District (Council Tax, bins, Environmental Health) 0345 605 3010 Staffs County Council (Highways, Social Services, Libraries) 0300 111 8000