

ISSUE: Summer 2024

Your magazine from Campbell Park Community Council

Homeground

WILLEN WINTERHILL OLDBROOK FISHERMEAD SPRINGFIELD NEWLANDS WOOLSTONE



Former Chair of Council, Terry Baines and our Administration Assistant Tracey Waistnedge were honoured to represent Campbell Park Community Council at the King's Garden Party at Buckingham Palace in June. Despite the rain, they enjoyed a lovely afternoon in the palace gardens with members of the Royal Family, with food and music adding to the special atmosphere.

MEET THE COUNCILLORS

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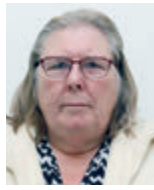


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COMMUNITY HUB PROGRESS UPDATE

Campbell Park Community Council

Work continues apace at the new Community Hub. Since our last edition of Homeground, we have floors on the ground and first floor level, a flight of stairs, and the walls have started to come up with a team of bricklayers busily working their way around the exterior of the building. Internal walls have started to appear and the fabric of the building is beginning to emerge.

Work to the roof carcass should start in early August and by September we hope that works to the upper roof level will be completed and PV panels installed.

Despite some challenging weather the project is still on track for completion in January 2025.

Look out for regular updates on our website and all the socials as the building continues to take shape.

If you have any questions or concerns about the building works, please contact the CPCC office on 01908 608559 or email admin@campbell-park.gov.uk



COUNCIL MEETINGS

*Meetings held at the
Oldbrook Centre*

17 September, 7.30pm

15 October, 7:30pm

19 November, 7:30pm

Committees

*Meetings will be held at
either the Oldbrook Centre
or the Springfield Centre.*

*Please see the website
and noticeboards for more
information.*

Planning, Infrastructure & Transport

12 August, 6.30pm

9 September, 6.30pm

7 October, 6.30pm

4 November, 6:30pm

Finance, Administration & Policy

3 September, 7pm

Estates

10 September, 6.30pm

8 October, 6.30pm

12 November, 6.30pm

Community & Communications

22 October, 6:30pm

26 November, 6.30pm

ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL AND ELECTORS MEETING

May sees the start of a new 'council year' and, following local council elections, we have welcomed three new councillors to CPCC. During their four-year term, all the members will be working to represent you.

We still have two councillor vacancies and are looking to co-opt new members in the Willen and Fishermead wards. If you think you would be interested in becoming a Campbell Park Community Councillor and help to shape change for the benefit of your community, visit the Become a Councillor page on our website for more details or get in touch via the contact details on page 2.

At the Annual Meeting of Council our first order of business is to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair of Council. After a unanimous vote, Cllr Brian Greenwood has been appointed Chair and Cllr Ray Golding appointed Vice-Chair. Once they had signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office, the business of the Community Council could begin.

One of the more significant decisions to be taken on the night was to agree the Climate Emergency Action Plan.

In February 2023, CPCC made a formal Declaration of a Climate Emergency, which included a commitment to developing an action plan and timescale for being net zero. At this year's annual meeting, after due consideration, members agreed the Climate Emergency Action Plan. Introducing a climate emergency action plan is a significant step towards addressing the urgent issue of climate change. It outlines our strategic

approach to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, increasing resilience to climate impacts, and promoting sustainable practices within our community. This plan serves as a roadmap to achieve our goal of net-zero carbon emissions by 2030 and targets several critical areas:

- Community Engagement
- Energy
- Economy & Waste
- Food & Land

You can read more about CPCC action on climate change by visiting the dedicated page on our website.

During May we also held our Annual Meeting of Electors which gives a chance for the community to ask questions and raise issues which concern them in a less formal setting. Unless there is a specific theme for the meeting (in 2023 it was climate change) this is a general forum and open to all members of the CPCC community. The Chair of Council, Cllr Brian Greenwood gave a brief introduction at the beginning of the night and invited those present to engage with those councillors and officers present.

The Milton Keynes Co-ordinator of Neighbourhood Watch, Nick King, gave a short presentation, pointing out some of the benefits of setting up a Neighbourhood Watch group and encouraging everybody to sign up to their local scheme.

We encourage all residents, community groups, sports clubs and businesses who operate in the CPCC area to participate in the Annual Electors Meeting and look forward to welcoming you in 2025 at our new Community Hub.

MP elected for the area

Following the changes to the UK Parliamentary constituency boundaries, a new constituency of Milton Keynes Central was created which includes all of the CPCC area.

The Member of Parliament for this new constituency was elected on 4 July 2024 and is Emily Darlington.

Emily Darlington MP can be contacted at emily.darlington.mp@parliament.uk



WHEELIE BIN NOT RETURNED TO YOUR PROPERTY? REPORT IT!

It is a requirement of the waste contract with Suez that the operators return the emptied bins to the property, or where left out for collection. If this doesn't happen please 'Report It' to MK City Council, within 24 hours of your collection on the MK City Council website www.milton-keynes.gov.uk

Follow the link to the Report It page and select '**Bin not returned to your property?**'

So that MK Council can ensure this contract requirement is being met, please report this if this is a problem for you.

Suez face sanctions when not meeting this requirement, which can also be verified via camera recordings taken from the lorry/operatives.

Reporting this, will ensure the issue is addressed.



UPDATE FROM COMMUNITY LITTER PICKING SESSIONS



In May, in conjunction with Action Speaks CIC, we started a monthly community litter picking sessions in Springfield and Fishermead. The sessions not only serve as an opportunity to keep our environment clean, but also provide residents with an opportunity to meet up with other residents, for a short exercise and time outdoors to promote a better healthy living and mental wellbeing.

Owing to a variety of factors, our sessions so far have been slow to take off, however, we are hopeful that as residents get used to the idea of regular litter pick, we will attract more participation. It also happens that our new waste management contractors have been doing a fantastic job in keeping up with the litter pick locally, as such the Saturdays have been much cleaner than we are used to. A big well done to the Milton Keynes City Council cleaning team! We understand that it is not always perfect, we therefore ask residents to make suggestions of the days they think would be most useful for litter picking to support the regular picks done by the council. Our current monthly schedule runs until September as the litter is worse in the summer months. During the winter, litter picking will be scheduled as required.

Litter picking Saturdays are also an opportunity to meet up for games and coffee, a time to meet other residents and reduce loneliness and isolation. If for any reason you cannot join us for litter picking, please come along to meet

other residents for coffee and games at the Trinity Centre. We hope to continue meeting on Saturday mornings even after the scheduled litter picking dates.

Below are the upcoming litter picking dates, please join any litter picking or games sessions in Fishermead you are available for, as the sessions are open to all residents regardless of your geographic location.

- Fishermead: 10th August & 14th September – meet at 10:30am at the Trinity Centre
- Springfield: 17th August & 21st September – meet at 10:30am at the Springfield Centre

I hope to see you soon.

**CLlr Ophelia Cole
Fishermead Ward**





MULTI-SENSORY WORSHIP
for people living with dementia and their carers

First Thursday of each month - 11am
At Milton Keynes House of Prayer
Manor Farm Cottage, 2 Linford Lane, Woolstone
MK15 0AG
Led by Ian Pearce and Charmaine Howard
Free of charge. A warm welcome awaits you.
Contact: 07719968356 ipearce@live.com

Meet friends & neighbours at our
Coffee Morning



CPCC
Campbell Park Community Council

Join us for a drink & good company every
Thursday 10am - 12 noon at
the Springfield Centre (next to One-Stop)

We look forward to welcoming you!



Are you going to University
or College or taking up an
apprenticeship this Autumn?

Are you under 25?

If you live in the certain parts of
central/eastern Milton Keynes you
may be eligible for a grant from
Chapman's Educational Foundation
towards your costs. Closing date
16th September 2024

To check eligibility or get an
application form, send your name
and postal address to
jansosborne@aol.com

**Milton Keynes Macular
Society Support Group**

**Second Tuesday of every month
2pm - 4pm**

**Centrecom Meeting Place
602 North Row (Behind MK Library)
Secklow Gate West, MK0 3BJ**

**The meetings are open to anyone
affected by central vision loss.
Family, friends and carers welcome.**

**For more information call:
Paul 07769 494 087**

0300 3030 111
help@macularsociety.org
macularsociety.org

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INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY EVENT IN WILLEN LAKE NORTH

Every 21 June yoga enthusiasts around the world celebrate the ancient practice of mindful movement and breath. International Yoga Day Event organised by Yoga State of Mind in Willen Lake North near the Peace Pagoda brought together over a dozen of local yoga teachers, reiki and meditation practitioners. Hundreds of participants, both local and visitors, took part in 16 complementary classes.

"I've always been fascinated by yoga but never had the chance to experience it until now. I can't express how grateful I am to practice yoga at the event for the first time. It became a much-needed oasis of calm, self-care, and renewal in my busy life, allowing me to reconnect with myself and recharge." - Chunni Subba, participant

The main aim of this initiative is to raise awareness about the effects of yoga, meditation, and similar activities on Mental Health. There

is an increasing need for support for all who struggle with long-term issues such as depression, anxiety, stress, but also those who are interested in self-development. For someone who has not been well for a while it may be difficult to appreciate the simple things like ability to breathe or enjoy nature.

"A huge thank you to Yoga State of Mind for putting together such a fantastic event offering a variety of sessions that catered to different interests and abilities. Your hard work and dedication truly made International Yoga Day a memorable experience." - Connie Solomon, collaborator

About the organiser: Joanna Konefal, founder of Yoga State of Mind, teaches Hatha Yoga with elements of Mindfulness and Personal Development [Instagram: [yoga_state_of_mind_daily](#)]



IMAGE CREDIT: MIKE TOBIN, PHOTOGRAPHY BY MOOK, FEATURING BILLY YOGA CLASS



IMAGE CREDIT: MICHAEL THORN PHOTOGRAPHY, FEATURING AIMEE NEWTON, OWNER OF THE POPLAR OSTEOPATHY CLINIC



IMAGE CREDIT: MICHAEL THORN PHOTOGRAPHY, FEATURING JOANNA KONEFAL, THE EVENT ORGANISER



COUNCILLOR FOR FISHERMEAD

22ND OF JULY 2022 TO THE 7TH OF MAY 2024

During my time as the Councillor for Fishermead from the 22nd of July 2022 to the 7th of May 2024, I have had the privilege of serving this vibrant community in various

capacities. I am immensely grateful to the residents of Fishermead who have consistently shown their support and emphasized the importance of teamwork in building a strong community. Additionally, I would like to extend my appreciation to the local businesses in Fishermead for their exceptional services that have greatly contributed to the well-being of our residents.

Fishermead, is within the heart of Milton Keynes, is undeniably a thriving area with a diverse population and outstanding schools. It has been truly inspiring to witness the growth and development of this community during my time as a Councillor. The dedication and resilience of the residents have played an essential role in shaping Fishermead into the vibrant and inclusive neighbourhood it is today.

My experience at Campbell Park Community Council has been invaluable, providing me with a deeper understanding of the needs and aspirations of the community. I am immensely grateful for the opportunity to have served you all and to have been a part of the positive changes that have taken place in Fishermead. Meeting each one of you has been an absolute pleasure, and I am confident that the bonds we have formed will endure beyond my term as Councillor.

I appreciate the knowledge and expertise shared by our exceptional councillors in our Council. The exceptional team of professionals working within our Council has provided outstanding professionalism. I extend my best wishes to each one of you as you continue to excel in your respective fields.

As I bid farewell, I would like to extend my best wishes for the future success of Fishermead. To those who aspire to make a difference in their community, I wholeheartedly recommend considering a role as a Councillor. My journey in this position has been incredibly rewarding.

Zamzam Osman

RECYCLING

Edition 1 - What to do with Batteries

Household batteries, including AA, AAA, C & D, laptop batteries and mobile phone batteries can go in the yellow recycling bags. These should be placed on top of your wheelie bin when you put your rubbish out.

Any batteries that have leaked should be placed in your black bin. Car batteries should be taken to the Household Waste & Recycling centre.

If you need a yellow bag please email customerservices@milton-keynes.gov.uk or call **01908 252570** and one will be sent to you. We have a few yellow bags at the CPCC office, which can be collected if you need one.

When you put your yellow bag out for collection and replacement bag should be left under the lid of your green bin.

All the batteries collected in the yellow bags are sent to furnaces to be melted down. The metals and acid are extracted to be made into new recycled products, including new batteries.

A number of shops also take batteries for recycling. Your nearest location can be found on this website <https://www.recyclenow.com/recycle-an-item/batteries>

REPORT IT!

Have you seen potholes in the road, dangerous paving, dumped rubbish, street lights not working, graffiti? Please 'Report It' to MK City Council

www.milton-keynes.gov.uk

The easiest way to report issues is on Milton Keynes City Councils website – Report It page.

You can set up an account to keep track of your reports, once this is done it's quick and simple to report issues going forward.

If the issue isn't reported it won't be dealt with. Please don't assume someone else will report it. The quicker it's reported the faster it will be dealt with and the more people that report the same issue will highlight the inconvenience it's causing, potentially making it a higher priority.

Reporting issues also enables frequent issues to be recognised and perhaps then dealt with differently.

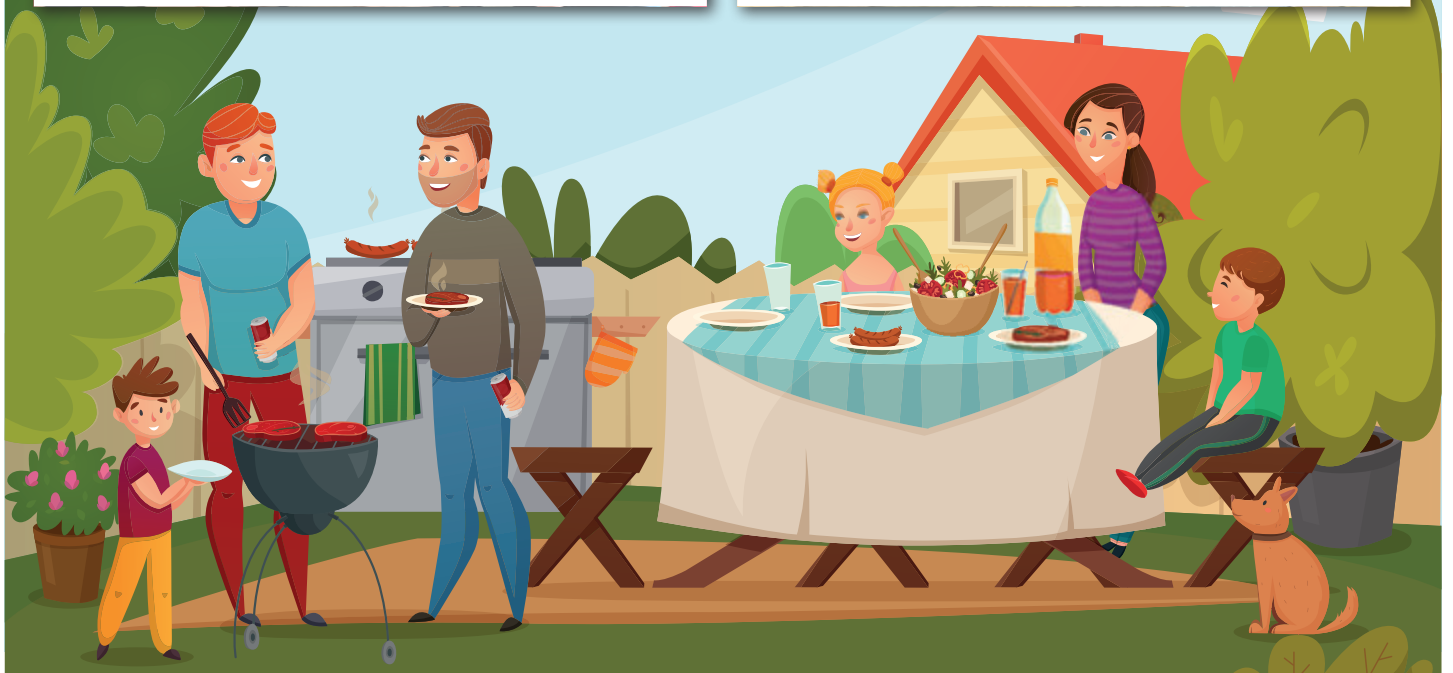
Recently, after a number of reports by local residents and Campbell Park Community Council, the uneven paving outside the Co-op in Fishermead was repaired by the Co-op management. This was a pleasing sight for all that had been effected by it.

FRANK HOWE COURT CELEBRATIONS!

We had the best day celebrating here at Frank Howe Court, in Fishermead, with our residents, employees and members of our local community for Housing21's 60 years as a housing association.

Shereen Wilkinson, Local Housing Manager said, the day was filled with delicious BBQ food, lively music and fun, which everyone enjoyed. Everyone enjoyed celebrating with their families and meeting other residents' families. One resident said, "thank Housing21 for funding this event, it's a treat for us to be able to invite our families".

Thank you to Campbell Park Community Council for allowing us to use the back gardens and providing us with chairs for the day, and all who joined us in making this celebration memorable! We can't wait to welcome you all for another event in the future!



CPCC GRANTS

Campbell Park Community Council

If you're from a community group or charity, who is supporting local residents in the Oldbrook, Fishermead, Springfield, Willen or Woolstone please visit our website to discover more about our grant funding: <https://www.campbell-park.gov.uk/services/grants/>

Our grants are considered by Committee every January, April, July and October. Completed applications must be received by the 1st of the month to be considered.

Grants can be awarded up to a maximum of £1000, unless for a start-up organisation, in which case a grant of up to £1500 could be available.

So far this financial year (from April) we have awarded the following grants:

- ❖ £500 to MK Gallacticos FC towards their annual presentation event.
- ❖ £499 to Connection Support towards the costs of volunteer recruitment & training for a volunteer befriender to support clients in CPCC area

- ❖ £150 to Frank Howe Court Social Club for garden equipment and plants for shared patio area
- ❖ £1000 to MGB Community Services towards the community breakfast club in Fishermead
- ❖ £1000 to Fishermead Trinity Centre towards the cost of repairing the courtyard paving

For more information contact the Community Officer at the Council office on 01908 608559



JOIN US AT WILLEN PAVILION EVERY TUESDAY AT 1:30PM FOR

SEATED EXERCISE

This project has been supported by funding from MK Community Foundation

THE SESSION IS OPEN TO ALL
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CPCC ON 01908 608559

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

TO HELP US RUN A VARIETY OF COMMUNITY PROJECTS

We need support now or in the near future with:

- Our coffee morning in Springfield every Thursday
- Work on the Community Garden in Fishermead
- The running of a Community Larder (opening later this year)

Could this be you?

For more info contact us on 01908 608559
or email admin@campbell-park.gov.uk

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Campbell Park Community Council

SPOTLIGHT ON OLDBROOK

Did you know that the estate's roads are named after cricketing terms or famous cricketers? It is said that the street layout is based on the markings of a cricket pitch.

At the centre of Oldbrook is Oldbrook Green, which offers an expanse of green space for the community to enjoy. Around the green you can find exercise equipment, benches and picnic tables, a skateboard park and a play area. Overlooking Oldbrook Green is the Cricketers Public House.

The estate is separated from Central Milton Keynes by Child's Way (H6). Despite its proximity to the city centre, the estate is well served by shops on Oldbrook Boulevard, with two small units, one a newsagent, the other a mini supermarket. At the western end of the Boulevard there is a large supermarket (Lidl), which is currently undergoing major construction works to create a larger store with ample off-road parking. Opposite this is Duckworth Court which has a number of retail outlets as well as a nursery.

Oldbrook is home to Milton Keynes Christian Centre which is one of the larger churches in the city. It has a coffee shop which is open daily, a nursery and hosts a range of other activities for the benefit of the local community, to suit all age groups. More details can be found on their website mkcc.org.uk.

Also in Oldbrook there is and the Head Office for the SIA – Spinal Injury Association. The SIA's aim is to reach everyone with a spinal cord injury, to tackle whatever barriers they face, and to connect them to all the help and support they need to flourish in their lives, in the way they want and choose.



The Oldbrook Community Centre and Oldbrook Green are managed by Campbell Park Community Council.

The Oldbrook Centre has a variety of regular users including Ducklings Pre-School. The halls are also available for hire for meetings, events and family gatherings. Please visit our website for more information.

The estate is served by Oldbrook First School, Illingworth Place, Oldbrook, MK6 2NH
T 01908 604689



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Summertime is when most people try to get away for a holiday. Here are some tips help keep your home safe and to make the criminal's job harder:

- Make sure your house looks like someone is at home. Ask a family member or a trusted friend to house sit while you are away. Ask your Neighbourhood Watch group to keep an eye out on your property.
- Ask your trusted person to pick up your mail and clear out your letterbox.
- Don't close your curtains – in the daytime this is a clear sign that your house is empty.
- Cancel any milk or online deliveries.
- Avoid discussing specific date and times of when you'll be away on social media or where strangers may hear your holiday plans.
- Mow the lawn before you go. Trim hedges so neighbours can see your dwelling.
- Move wheelie bins to prevent them being used to climb fences or walls.
- Make sure all your doors and windows are locked and any spare keys aren't in sight from the outside.
- Install a light on a timer switch that comes on in the evening. You can also get photosensitive bulbs that switch on when a certain level of darkness is reached. If you are using a light on a timer, don't use it with a table lamp that can be viewed through a window – a dead giveaway.
- If you normally leave valuable pedal cycles or similar in your shed, consider putting them in the house. Also make sure valuable items such as laptops, games consoles etc. are not in view from the outside.
- Mark valuable household belongings with your house number and postcode, and take photos of your property, particularly jewellery. You can then register your items for free at [immobilise.com](https://www.immobilise.com), a service that will assist the police in returning property to the rightful owner should it be stolen and recovered.



To join Neighbourhood Watch at [ourwatch.org.uk](https://www.ourwatch.org.uk). It is free. Enter your details and join a local group. If a group isn't nearby then consider starting one.

ADVICE FROM THAMES VALLEY POLICE ON PREVENTING STOLEN DOORSTEP DELIVERIES

Practical advice to reduce the risk of being affected by the growing trend of theft of items left unattended by delivery drivers.

Here are some things you could do to reduce the risk of doorstep theft:

- track your parcel to ensure you or someone else is at home for the delivery
- install a video doorbell; this can be connected to your mobile so you are notified immediately of any delivery, and is easier to install than a full CCTV system
- install a security light
- arrange for your parcel to be delivered to a trusted neighbour, or other family members who will be at home; if you live in a flat, is there a concierge who could accept the parcel for you?
- use an off-site locker service for frequent deliveries, or for expensive items; these parcel boxes are more likely to be in busy, safer locations – such as supermarkets – rather than secluded areas which could be targeted by thieves



LANDSCAPING SUMMER REPORT

Campbell Park Community Council

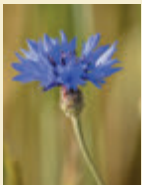
Summer seems to have finally joined us and the ground is drying up nicely for the mowers to access all areas.

We have continued to leave large areas of uncut grass as natural wild areas to encourage bio diversity but as we approached the end of June we began the "hay cut". At this time of year we slowly start to reduce the wild areas for a final cut, the cut is not done all at once to encourage the migration of animals & insects living within the grasses.

The hay cut is to help regenerate next years growth and times in nicely with the beginning of the summer holidays to have all open spaces available. The only exception is a section of Oldbrook Green which had a late summer wild flower mix sown into it and this will be cut towards the end of summer.

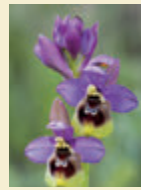
We are working to our regular summer schedule but as it starts to heat up we hope grass growth will slow down so we can begin to get the whole team hedge cutting, cutting back the excess growth on the hedges that we have seen this spring/summer, prioritising footpaths and sightline encroachment. Any areas that you wish to bring to our attention please email landscape@campbell-park.gov.uk

FLOWERS TO SPOT IN OUR "WILD AREAS"



Cornflower (*Centaurea cyanus*)
Colour – predominantly Blue but can be other colours
Height – 30 – 60cm
Flowering time June to August
Bee friendly

Once considered a weed of cornfields the cornflower was almost wiped out by modern agricultural methods. It is now classed as protected species under the conservation act and can now be seen growing in some of our wild areas.



Bee orchid (*Ophrys apifera*)

The bee orchid is also another flower with protected status, it can be seen flowering from June to July, the Bee orchid may only flower once in its lifetime and can take as long as six years before flowering. The orchid gets its name from their main pollinator the bee, the velvety lips on the flower mimic a female bee which the males try to mate with and instead pollinate the flower. Although in the UK the bee orchid is self-pollinating as they do not have the right bee species.



Poppy (*papaver rhoeas*)

The poppy which can grow to 60cm tall during summer and can be found in various colours. It is seen as a symbol of remembrance usually worn as a show for support for armed forces and community. The poppy also produces opium which is used in many pharmaceutical drugs.

The numbers are growing each year in the Oldbrook Green wildflower area.

FLOWERS AND WILDLIFE TO SPOT FROM OUR WILD AREAS





Hello from everyone at Shepherdswell Academy



We were overjoyed by the incredible success of our recent SpringFest and extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone that made the event possible.



We have had an exciting summer term here at Shepherdswell Academy. We kicked off the term by celebrating our 40th birthday with a family picnic.

The children in nursery have been learning about stories and rhymes to help them prepare for reception in September. They love learning outside and enjoy the mud kitchen and water play.

In Reception, the children enjoyed taking part in the Olympic Torch relay and got to meet an Olympic Gold Medallist. We got to learn new warm ups and hold the Olympic torch.

The children in Year 1 have loved learning about cars in Design Technology this term. They explored different types of cars including electric cars. They used recycled materials to create their own moving vehicle.

Year 2 have been busy getting ready for Key Stage 2. They have been writing stories using a variety of texts and exploring longer stories that have a beginning, problem, resolution and ending.



Our school nursery opened in October, and we have 15 hour and 30 hours spaces available for September 2024. If you would like to find out more about our amazing community school, then please contact the school office **01908 735865** or visit **www.shepherdswell.emat.uk** for further information.

Oldbrook First School & Nursery Summer News



The children have had another fantastic year in school and have enjoyed the many learning experiences on offer supporting the great progress that they have made both academically and personally. This term the children have enjoyed learning about castles, growing and the world around us. Lots of fun was had at our whole school book fair and summer fair! Thank you to our amazing community for their support!

The children across the school and nursery have enjoyed a range of other visits and first-hand learning experiences to support their learning journeys this year, as well as developing further their understanding of our school community values and their love of reading. These are at the heart of everything that we do!

If you have a child who is due to start nursery or school in September 2025 and would like to find out more about our community school and nursery then please contact the school office for more information. Our nurturing school and nursery will enable your child to reach their full potential in a happy and caring learning environment.

Mr Hopkins
Headteacher

Do you have a child who is due to start school in September 2025?





School Tours Available on
Wednesday 25th September at 9.00am and 2.30pm
Stay and Play Session
Wednesday 2nd October 3.30pm until 4.30pm

Please contact us to arrange a tour or book onto the stay and play session.
 01908 604689 | office@oldbrookschool.co.uk
www.oldbrookschool.co.uk

Apply for a school place using the following web address:
www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schools-and-lifelong-learning/school-admissions/





Together we make the difference

Respect

Responsibility

Teamwork

Kindness

Friendship

Honesty



Woburn Safari Park



Eid



Gardening



Author Visit



Book Fair



Whipsnade Zoo



Design Technology



Warwick Castle

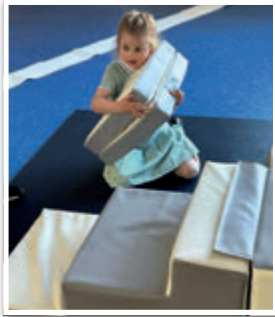


Habitats

Together we make the difference



The Willows and Early Years Centre Summer News



As we near to the end of another school year there is so much to celebrate. Children starting the day with a breakfast and play at school with their friends. Learning life skills as well as having fun!

Our Family stay and play sessions have been well attended along with our well-being café. Thank you for your support

We welcome parents in twice a week to learn alongside their children and we have had a focus on maths this year. This has encouraged lovely collaborative learning and outcomes for children.

Alongside the academic learning our children have met a real life Olympian, had a day on the farm

and enjoyed water play and a family picnic. We have been supporting Miss Kent with her charity fund raising ready for her New York Marathon in November with ice cream sales.

Our children's outcomes have continued to improve from last year to this. A huge thank you to all the staff who have worked in conjunction with the wonderful families to achieve these outcomes.

If you are interested in a nursery or school place with us we offer education and support to children and families from the age of 2-7 years old. Please pop in or call the office on **01908 528803** or **office@thewillowseyc.org.uk**



Willen Primary School Summer Report



The children at Willen have been very busy this term! We have had trips out including a Year 1 trip to Whipsnade Zoo as part of their science learning, Year 2 went out looking for mini beasts and Year 5's history walk saw them meeting a host of historical characters around Willen. Year 6 children enjoyed a trip to Connor - a lovely way to end their primary school experience.

The WSA organised a fantastic summer fete and despite the weather not being amazing everybody had fun and raised a lot of money for the school. Each year group ran a stall and the teachers even went in the stocks!

Sports day was a totally different climate. A very sunny day was enjoyed by everyone. The children took part in multiple activities and races and really supported each other.





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To become honest, active citizens
and lifelong learners in a global society



School Crossing Patroller Immediate/Flexible Start

Fixed term until July 2027
Mon-Fri 8:15-9:00 and 15:00-15:30
Option for Job Share
Pay scale: MKCC A1 (£3,300 per annum)



Are you looking for something new where you can enjoy a challenge? Then look no further! The Willows School and Early Years Centre is a thriving Infant School with a nursery. Through our culture of supporting the whole family, we work closely with our on-site children's centre to support children from all backgrounds to make good progress. The school is judged "good" by Ofsted and we are now on our journey to "outstanding".

We are looking for someone who:

- Is able to operate a crossing point in accordance with training provided and the Highway Code, and willing to undertake duties in all weathers.
- Can provide road safety awareness skills to children and adults through best practice and reinforcement of road safety messages, providing road safety information or advice when appropriate.
- Is able to build good relationships with families attending the school.
- Is enthusiastic, energetic and willing to be involved in all aspects of school life.

We can offer you:

- All weather uniform and relevant road safety training.
- A supportive leadership team, a friendly workplace, children who want to learn and a chance to make a real difference in the lives of our children.
- LGPS pension scheme, access to a free wellbeing app and a commitment to staff wellbeing.

The Willows School is committed to equal opportunities and we encourage applications from applicants from all backgrounds. The Willows School reserves the right to withdraw this advert at any time.

We encourage applicants to look round our school. **Visits to the school are welcome** - please contact the school office to book a time. Application packs are available from the school office and our website. Applications **must** be made using the Milton Keynes Council application form.

The Willows School and EYC is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults. All employees are expected to share this commitment, to follow the centre's safeguarding policies and procedures and to behave appropriately towards children and vulnerable adults at all times, both in work and in their personal lives. The successful applicant will require an Enhanced DBS check. References may be taken up prior to interview.



Campbell Park Community Council

Job Vacancy

Landscape Operative

Salary £25,979-£27,803

An exciting opportunity has arisen within Campbell Park Community Council.

We are looking for an individual who would love the opportunity to help Campbell Park Community Council in the delivery of its high-quality, in-house Landscape service. Someone who enjoys physical, outdoor work, ideally, the individual will have experience of a similar role, and the use of associated machinery (tractors, mowers, strimmers, hedge cutters, chainsaws, pesticide application) Machinery tickets (NPTC/LANTRA) would be an advantage, but not necessary. We also require applicants to have a full, clean driving licence. More important than all of this, is the desire to work hard and make a difference to our residents, and be a team player.

The role will involve working across the whole Parish based at the Landscape Depot in Oldbrook. Working hours are 37 per week and the post will be CPCC Grade dependant on experience and qualifications.

You can find a more in-depth description of the job on our website. To request an application pack, please e-mail admin@campbell-park.gov.uk The deadline for the submission of applications, including a covering letter, is noon on 30 September 2024 and should be sent to The Estates Manager, Campbell Park Community Council, 1 Pencarrow Place, Fishermead, Milton Keynes, MK6 2AS.



CAMPBELL PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL SUMMER PLAY SESSIONS



Sports

Oldbrook Green
12th August 1.30pm-3.30pm
Sports & Games



Arts & Crafts

Pirate Park
8th August 1.30pm-3.30pm
Messy & Imaginative Play



Large Games

Pirate Park
27th August 1.30pm-3.30pm
Sports & Games



Messy Play

Oldbrook Green
19th August 1.30pm-3.30pm
Messy & Imaginative Play

Session run by MKPA and sponsored by Campbell Park Community Council

All children must be accompanied by an adult throughout the session



Many thanks to The Cricketers and their customers for donating the proceeds of their recent raffles to CPCC to be used towards the cost of one of the summer play sessions. The Cricketers are also kindly allowing participants of the Oldbrook summer play events use of their toilet facilities during the sessions.

FREE ACTIVITY PACKS FOR CHILDREN

The packs will contain a variety of paper based activities and colouring sheets.

To ensure as many families as possible can benefit from this, please only take one pack per child. The packs will be limited in number and only available while stock lasts.

We would also love to see any photos of the children enjoying the packs or the completed activities that we can share. Most of all – we hope that the children enjoy them.

The activity packs can be collected from the Council Office in Fishermead:

CPCC, 1 Pencarrow Place (behind the Trinity Centre)
MK6 2AS – Monday to Friday 10am – 4pm

If you have any queries, please contact admin@campbell-park.gov.uk or 01908 608559

If you would like an Activity Pack for the Summer holiday, please contact our office as we may still have some available.

We will have activity packs available for the October Half Term Holiday available from Tuesday 22nd October.

CPCC

Campbell Park Community Council

Springfield Community Picnic

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT | FAMILY FUN |
GAMES | MUSIC | CRAFT

Saturday 17th August 2024

1.30pm - 5.30pm

Play area off Falcon Avenue, Springfield

All residents welcome!

Bring your mats, blanket or deck chairs

We want to encourage local involvement!

Any resident willing to share their talents in singing, dancing, playing instruments or modelling traditional wear on the day, please contact:

Ophelia.cole@campbell-park.gov.uk

Kid's Corner



Hello Children,

"Gosh What is happening to our weather??"

Let's hope the Summer Holidays are warm and sunny, so we can all get out to play!!

I have noticed that most of our play areas are well attended after school on sunny days.

How are your allotments going? Don't forget to send in some of your photos of your growing area. The best photo will win a prize!!

Our Fancy Dress Tea Party is on Saturday 26th October at the Springfield Community Centre 2pm – 4pm. Fancy Dress theme is Alice in Wonderland, however, you can dress in anything that you like.

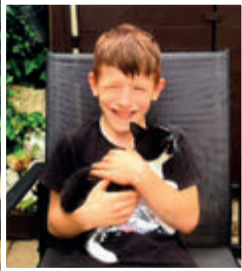
We will still have competitions, so lots of fun to be had!!!!!!

All the usual fun activities – Val's Craft Table, Reptile Man, Face Painting, Best Fancy Dress and lots of yummy things to eat.

I hope to see you all.

Have a Wonderful Summer Holiday!!

First is Pets Club....



Tolcarne Twins in August 2023



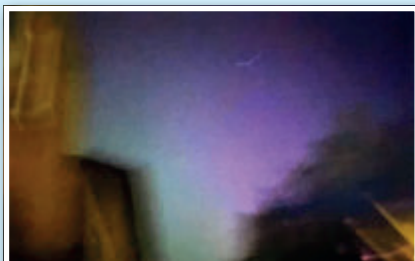
Archebelle's 3 new kittens – July 2024



Archebelle on the left, Twizzle on the right. June 2024

Northern Lights....

If you were lucky enough to be awake at about 1am, 10th May 2024, The Northern Lights came to Milton Keynes.



Summer Word search

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- Sunglasses
- Ice Cream
- Holidays
- Pool
- Sunshine
- Camping
- Swimming
- Sea
- Bonfire
- Floaty
- Beach
- Warm
- Sand

Kid's Corner Allotment

Look how well our Allotment Box is doing!!!!!!



So, all the usual things to remember:

Stranger Danger. Green Tick Code.

Water Beware: Respect The Water



Send in a Poem:

If you send in a poem and it goes into the next Homeground you will win a prize.

Jokes:

Do you have any jokes?

If so, send them in and you could also win a prize if we put them into the magazine.

P.S: If you send anything into Kid's Corner we need to know your name, address, your age, and what school you go to, or we cannot send you your prize. The address is: 1 Pencarrow Place, Fishermead, Milton Keynes, MK6 2AS.

Until next time. Have fun!!!!

Clr Penny.

Put on your favourite fancy dress costume & come to our Tea Party !



Free activities,
entertainment
and delicious
treats!



**Saturday
26 October
2-4 pm
Springfield
Centre**



We hope to
see you
there