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Macclesfield Council Community Newsletter



Your new Mayor

Older Person's Day



**1st October 2019
12pm - 2pm**

**Your new Town Council
Councillors**



**The Welly Walk
is back**



**12th October 2019
10am - 2pm**

**Also inside - Sparrow Park, Town Ranger,
Street Sports, Foodie Fridays**



Your Macclesfield Town Councillors

Introducing your new Macclesfield Town Councillors. You can contact them with any issues you might like to raise, by telephoning the office on 01625 374142 or by using the email addresses found on the back page of this booklet.



Cllr Mick Warren
East Ward



Cllr Fiona Wilson
South Ward



Cllr Fin Shenton
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Your Mayor

Councillor Janet Jackson MBE was elected as Mayor of Macclesfield on 13th May.

The Deputy Mayor is Councillor Sarah Bennett-Wake.

Janet was originally elected to Macclesfield Borough Council in 1991 where she represented Central Ward until the Council was superseded by Cheshire East Council. She was first elected to Cheshire East in 2011 and became Charter Trustee Mayor for 2014/15 civic year. Janet has sat on the Town Council since it's creation in 2015.



The Mayor's Charities are both Macclesfield based and ones which she has supported over many years. Just Drop-In, located on Duke Street, opened in 2001, provides help for young people from the ages of 12 to 25. Speaking Up Speaking Out (SUSO), located on Old Park Lane supports adults with learning disabilities helping them to socialise and take part in many and varied activities.



The Mayor's theme for the year will be community cohesion. To promote inclusiveness across the age ranges from young to old, and to promote and support the many measures that can be taken to prevent isolation in our community.

There are several upcoming Mayoral events:
 Sunday lunch at Chesters - 18th August 2019
 Autumnal Quiz Night - 27th September 2019
 Dine with the Mayor - 22nd November 2019
 "Ban the Winter Blues" Quiz Night - 24th January 2020

Please contact civic@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk
 or 01625 374142 for more information.
 Raising funds for Just Drop In and SUSO.



Sparrow Park

For some time the Sparrow Park project has been underway to improve the park and make it more of a feature of the town.



The park was originally built to appreciate the panoramic views across the surrounding hills but its value as a viewpoint had been much reduced by the growth of several trees on the hillside which were blocking the view. These have now been removed to return the park close to its original state and to open up the view so it can be better appreciated.

Macclesfield Town Council commissioned an interpretation board and this has now been installed and looks amazing. It provides visitors to the park with information about the view and the town's historic past as well as celebrating Macclesfield and its position as a gateway to the Peak District.

The improvements to the park environment have included additional flower planting, more focussed cleaning and litter picking as well as the placing of bat and nest boxes in the trees to improve opportunities for nature. The addition of the lighting in the trees has helped to make the park a welcoming place to relax in the evenings and has encouraged people to spend time there.

Why not pop down and take a look when you are next in town?

Did you know?

The park was formally known as Bunkers Hill, but known by locals as Sparrow Park because of its diminutive size.

It commemorates the generosity of Francis Dicken Brocklehurst JP whose gifts to the town included Victoria Park



Bikeathon success

Almost 200 intrepid cyclists got back in the saddle for the 2019 Macclesfield Bikeathon.

The event took place on Sunday, May 11th, beginning and finishing at Macclesfield Leisure Centre.

There was a 6-mile family ride, a 30-mile route and a more demanding 60-mile ride around the Cheshire Plain. Some even took part with their pets - carrying them in a basket on their bike.



The Bikeathon was a regular on the Macclesfield calendar for many years, attracting up to 1,500 people and it is hoped this is the beginning of similar success.

Darren Allgood, from Allgood Cycling, organised the event with help from Macclesfield Town Council. Proceeds from the event were donated to local charity Just Drop In. He said: "It was a great day and we have received some tremendous feedback about it. A lot of people wanted to know if we would be doing it again next year. Hopefully it will be bigger and better."



Ann Wright, from Just Drop, said: "As a Macclesfield charity we are passionate about our community and it's great to see the Bikeathon back with proceeds going towards helping local young people to find their feet."

Thanks to all those that took part and helped to make the event such a success.



Town Ranger makes a difference



Macclesfield has its first Town Ranger to tackle town maintenance and grot spots. The new service addresses issues raised through recent consultations, where residents have commented that they would like to see a concerted effort to tackle litter, dog fouling, graffiti and the general appearance of the town.

Adrian Bullock, who has been Ranger since April, has already made a big difference to the town. He visits each ward in the town on a regular basis to clear messy areas, repair and maintain benches and street furniture and also report and chase larger issues for repair, such as highways and public property maintenance. He has also been involved with the summer planting around the town.

The Ranger Service is being piloted for a year by Macclesfield Town Council to see if this focussed effort can help with the town's appearance and hopefully make Macclesfield a nicer place to visit and spend time.



We've had some great feedback on the work that Adrian has done so far. You can email your suggestions for attention and pictures of damage or grot spots to admin@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk.

Why not follow the Town Ranger on facebook Macclesfield Town Ranger or Twitter @MaccRanger?





Fantastic Foodie Fridays



Macclesfield Foodie Friday

First Friday of every Month - 10am-9pm

Macclesfield Town Centre
Market Place, SK10 1DS



Meet up with your friends, family or work colleagues for brunch, lunch, tea or supper and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere along with some fabulous food and drink.

In the heart of the picturesque town of Macclesfield, on the first Friday of the Month Macclesfield Foodie Friday is the place to be.

The town will be a buzz with food and drink to enjoy, along with entertainment in the evening from 7pm.

Book a stall: admin@artisancheshire.co.uk

The Foodie Friday events have proved to be very successful since they began in April. The welcome at the events has been very warm, even if the weather hasn't.

The events have featured artisan foods, a bar and entertainment from 7pm. Due to the success of the event It is planned that it will continue through to the autumn.

The next events will be held on:

2nd August
5th September



Come along and join in throughout the day or pop over after work with friends and family to unwind and socialise.

We hope to see you there.

Mayor's Autumn Charity Quiz



FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER, 7:30PM
BROKEN CROSS CLUB
£12 PER TEAM OF 4

Prebook via civic@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk





Older Person's Day

Celebrating Older Person's Day with a complimentary tea party



Tuesday 1st October 2019
12-2pm

Macclesfield Methodist Church, SK10 1BX

Book your free place by 9th September by
calling 01625 612410

or emailing
Macclesfield.LiveatHome@mha.org.uk

A free event for older people will be held on Tuesday 1st October. The complimentary tea party will be an opportunity for older people aged 65 and over to come together to celebrate.

If you would like to come along, or know someone that would benefit from a few hours of company and good food, please book your free place by calling 01625 612410 or emailing Macclesfield.LiveatHome@mha.org.uk

Places are on a first come, first served basis.

Treacle Market Dates

A bustling monthly market in Macclesfield's cobbled Marketplace and streets around 160 stalls of unique crafts, exceptional food & drink and vintage finds.

Sun 28th July
Sun 25th Aug
Sun 29th Sept

Sun 27th Oct
Sun 24th Nov
Sun 22nd Dec





Welly Walk returns

On Saturday 12th October 10am-2pm, there will be an outdoor play and nature themed event in West Park – Welly Walk and Nature Needs You.

The free event, which is organised by Macclesfield Town Council, is designed to encourage outdoor play throughout the cooler seasons. This is the third time the event has been held and will be delivered together with Macclesfield RSPB Wildlife Explorers. This year, the popular storytelling teepee den is back, complete with soft cushions and fairy lights to create a cosy atmosphere for children listening to tales.

Welly Walk and Nature Needs You
West Park
Saturday 12th October
10am-2pm

Activities include:
 Creepy crawlies
 Bird box making
 Storytelling teepee den
 Birds of Prey
 Welly Walk trail throughout the day
 Seed planting
 Bushcraft
 Forest school
 Bird watching

There will also be a mini forest school, hands on flint fire lighting lessons along with marshmallow toasting, den building, a static bush craft display, birds of prey, storytelling, birdwatching, creepy crawlies and a Welly Wander around the park. The Welly Wander will involve locating footprints around the park and carrying out a small activity to help see the wonder in the great outdoors.

Families can drop in at any time during the event to collect their clue sheet. We hope to see you there!



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Rotary
Club of
Macclesfield Castle



Rotary in our Community



The Rotary organisation has 1.2 million members worldwide and some 30 men and women in the Macclesfield area undertaking a great variety of community support activities.

They organise an Annual Swimathon which helps local charities to raise funds and Rotary to raise funds to donate to local groups in need, international charities including Lend with Care, and, support the Rotary Purple4Polio campaign to eradicate polio.

Other Fundraising activities include helping at events in the town when Road Closures are required. Application for funds is via our 'Dragons' Den event' or by application to the Club. See our website/ facebook page

Can you be part of Rotary in the Community?

Contact Alec Johnston 07770 512421

Rotary



PEOPLE OF ACTION

Mayor's Charity Sunday Lunch
Chesters, Macclesfield
Sunday 18th August, 12:30 for 1pm



Tickets from civic@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk





FREE Street Sports

Macc Street Sports - you choose the game
- it's not all football (but it is a bit)

FREE YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Supervised activities
with qualified sports
coaches

Open to all
7 to 16 year olds

For more information contact Macclesfield Council on 01625 374142

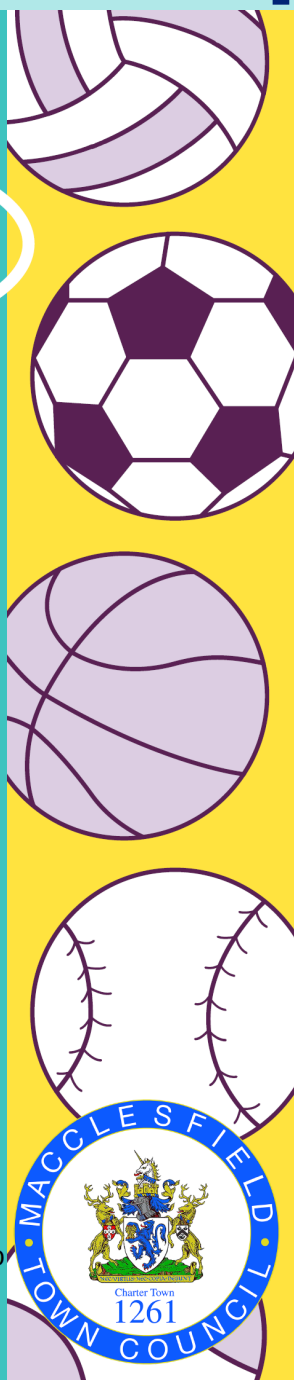
Tuesdays - 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Jasmine Park MUGA, Broken Cross

Wednesdays - 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Banbury Close Playing Fields

Thursdays - 6pm to 8pm
South Park Multi-Sports Area

Every Week!

This is an informal service, children can come and go as they please and remain the responsibility of parents or guardians, not the responsibility of the sports coaches or council



You choose the sports:

The sports coaches come equipped with loads of sports equipment so you have a massive choice of sports and games on the night, such as tennis, basketball, rounders, netball, cricket and much more.

Professional Sports

Coaches:

Working in partnership with Peak Active Sport, our coaches are all qualified and professional and provide support and encouragement for the children taking part.

Active Kids:

Physical activity benefits us all in terms of our physical health as well as our mental health. It increases our opportunities to socialise and improve our skills.

And don't forget this is totally FREE!

Run Macc Fest, 22nd September

The Macc-Run-Fest is open to everyone, and has a race for everyone! Whether it is a Fun Run or even our challenging Half-Marathon - come along and join the biggest community event in Macclesfield, sponsored by Macclesfield Town Council. All races start and finish at Macclesfield Leisure Centre. Visit www.runmaccfest.com for more information and to sign up.



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2019 Forthcoming events



Community Events

3 August - Ride Out, Market Place
22 Sept - Macc Half Marathon/10k/5k/Fun Run
1 October - Older Person's Day
12 October - Welly Walk, West Park
24 October - Firewalk for the Christie,
Market Place
10 November - Remembrance Sunday
11 November - Armistice
30 November - Christmas Lights Switch On
5 December - Tree of Light Event

Council Meetings

15 July 7pm Full Council Meeting
19 July 10am Planning Committee
22 July 7pm Services Committee
6 Sept 10am Planning Committee
9 Sept 7pm Services Committee
23 Sept 7pm Finance Committee
27 Sept 10am Planning Committee
7 October 7pm Full Council Meeting
18 October 10am Planning Committee
8 November 10am Planning Committee
18 November 7pm Services Committee
25 November 7pm Finance Committee
29 November 10am Planning Committee
9 December 7pm Full Council
20 December 10am Planning Committee

Useful Contacts

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Cheshire East Council

0300 123 5500

Cheshire East Highways

Roads, potholes, roadworks, street lighting,
parking & blue badge scheme

0300 123 5020

Cheshire East Waste

Bin collections, household waste, street
cleansing & permits

0300 123 5011

Cheshire East Development Control

Planning applications, building regulations,
tree preservation orders

0300 123 5014

Cheshire East Social Services

Adult social care, occupational health,
assessments

0300 123 5010

Cheshire East Council Tax

Payments, business rates, changes of
details

0300 123 5013

