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Meet your new Town Mayor

As your newly elected Town Mayor & Chairman let me first start with thanking you, our local residents, in returning me to your Town Council during the elections that took place on May 6th. It is a great honour to be re-elected to the Town Council and equally, I feel very humbled to be unanimously elected by our fellow Town Councillors to this prestigious position as your Chairman and Town Mayor for the next 12 months. With that, I would like to warmly welcome our Town Councillors, some old and many new faces, to the Council. As a way of introduction, each Councillor has prepared a short profile piece that can be found on pages 2-5.

I would like to start my first Crosstalk article by paying my extreme thanks to our previous Town Chairman, Matthew Walsh. Matt has left this Town Council in the strongest position that it has ever been in. Matt gave up an enormous amount of his own free time for the benefit of the town and he should be applauded for his dedication and due diligence during his 5 years in office. Hopefully, I can follow in his footsteps, although I know this will be a difficult task but am willing to give it my best.

I am aware of recent complaints about the grass cutting of the town verges and Stratton Memorial Garden (SMG), unfortunately this has been due to staff shortages. Normally we have 5 full time maintenance team members during the summer months and we were running with between one and three members working under extremely challenging conditions. As Crosstalk goes to press I can confirm that we have employed two new members of the staff and an apprentice and I am delighted to say that all three are local residents. My extreme thanks must go to Barney, Pete and Graham who have worked themselves to the bone without taking any time off so far this summer. As your Town Mayor my first task was to get our maintenance team into a stronger position, which they now are.

I am keen to see other exciting projects for the town brought to a close and fully up and running, these being our brand new Brushwood Suite at the Wades Centre (formerly known as the Community Centre), which includes a licensed bar and will shortly be available to hire for weddings, christenings parties, conferences and events. Further details on the Brushwood Suite, can be found on page 7. Our brand new cafe which is adjacent to the Brushwood Suite and the Manor Coach House at 39 High Street. Exciting times ahead for the town and the local economy!







Sadly, the town has recently suffered the loss of both the TSB and Barclays Bank which is a great blow to not only the local economy but our residents who do not have access to online banking. Unfortunately, the Town Council do not have any powers to stop banks from closing down although we are aware that both buildings are currently up for rental.



Finally, as it appears the lockdown restrictions are being fully lifted, this is a good time for me to mention that our Town Council is hosting a "Welcome Back Risborough" event in Wades Park on Saturday the 4th September 2021. More details on page 10 but I look forward to seeing you on the day.

I am always approachable and willing to listen to your views and issues, so do please feel free to stop and speak to me or contact me at any time.

Best wishes and stay cautious as the pandemic is still out there.

Cllr Andy Ball Mayor and Chairman



Introducing your Town Councillors



Cllr Sue Coombs

I would like to thank everyone who voted for me in the elections in May. It is a great privilege to have been chosen to serve the town. Having lived in the town all my life I am passionate about safeguarding its future.

I have been involved in many town organisations including running one of the local Guide Companies, the Patient Participation Group at the Cross Keys Surgery, Risborough and Monks Risborough Charities, and Risborough Basket to name a few.

Further afield my husband John and I have been part of the British Red Cross Emergency Response team for a number of years.

I have also been involved with Town events including the farmers market, summer festival and Christmas light switch on.

I have previous experience on how the council works having run the former Youth Town Council and having served as the Town Council's deputy clerk.



Cllr John Coombs

Following my re-election to the Town Council I would like to thank all those who voted for me and assure everyone that my aim in the next four years is to improve the look and feel of the town for the residents.

I have been a Town Councillor for the past 27 years and during that time I have seen the vast improvement in the work and aspirations of the Council and look forward to working with the new councillors to continue to improve.

Before my retirement, I spent 31 years in the Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service finishing up as the Communications Manager and, during the period of 1973 to 1985, I was also a Retained Firefighter at the local Fire Station.

I am a volunteer member of the British Red Cross in their Emergency Response Team and latterly in the Home from Hospital Service.

Being a Town Council representative on the board of trustees of the Princes Risborough Charity, and Chairman for the last 10 years, I have seen what relief a charitable contribution, to residents who are less well off, can bring and hope to continue with this work for as long as I am able.

Over the years I have been fully involved with the annual Town Festival and Christmas Lights event and served as chairman of the Festival Committee on a number of occasions and am still involved now that it is being run by the Town Council.

My commitment to you is to ensure that the Town Council continues to operate in the best interests of all the residents.



Cllr Alan Frost

Hi, I'm Alan Frost and am extremely proud to have been selected as a **Town Councillor** and would very

much like to thank the 885 people of Risborough who voted for me in the recent Town Council election. I stood as an Independent and can assure all those people who voted for me that I will remain so during my term of service.

I am a Buckinghamshire resident for too many years to remember finally settling in the wonderful (mainly flat) Town of Princes Risborough some 15 years ago. We decided to settle in Risborough as the Town offered so much with a great selection of local shops and perfect transport connections to London where I originally hail from. Unfortunately, as the years rolled by the Town in some areas appears to have 'stalled' and not progressed in other areas as I had hoped.

As many other people during the pandemic I became to appreciate even more the wonderful environment we have inherited due to our unique position in the Chilterns and will strive within the Council to ensure these are protected for our successors.

I applied to become a Councillor as I wanted to be in a position to contribute to the improvement of the Town, from High St regeneration to protecting our environment especially in the area of developments that are planned as part of the Risborough **Expansion** Plan.

I have accepted the position of Chairman of the PR & Events committee and as such would be very happy to receive suggestions for any resident who would like to propose Town events.



Catherine Campbell

It is an honour to have been elected to serve our community

on the Town Council. Thank you for entrusting me with your votes!

I am very grateful to have lived in Risborough for 16 years and raised two daughters with my husband here in such a friendly, welcoming and safe neighbourhood supported by local schools and surrounded by the beautiful Chiltern countryside.

I have already got to know a wide range of residents and locations through local jobs, involvement with and volunteering in a large number of the area's community groups and charities. Working as part of the Town Council team alongside fellow residents and partnering organisations is an opportunity to give back more in these challenging and changing times. Together we can cultivate a sense of belongingness and maintain a proud, happy community.

We look forward to encouraging and supporting new local enterprising initiatives, to share ideas and information on how to make Risborough more resilient, sustainable and eco-friendly.

I would like to help residents and our visitors to appreciate, value, respect, protect the natural environment and enjoy the Chilterns to enhance mutual health and well-being.

Those of us on the Events Committee also recognise the need to help create future opportunities for fun and celebration so our community can come together more - we look forward to seeing you soon!



The bar has been raised, please permit me to spill the beans that the past councillors' achievement has been acknowledged by the selection of the previous Mayor Matthew Walsh as a finalist for the Councillor of the Year 2021. This I believe demonstrates the great job that they have collectively done, and I hope that in my time we can surpass those achievements.

My family and I have cherished living here and making Princes Risborough our hometown. My passion is to serve and contribute to the enrichment, growth of our town, integration of all people, promotion of sustainable infrastructures, and care of our climate / environment.

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settlements.

My intentions are to ensure that we take our fair share of any new houses but only with the required infrastructure improvements, and encourage local enterprise, community identity and maintain the town's character. That there is a vibrant atmosphere constantly around the town, and bring opportunities that reduce the need to commute.

I want to refresh the High Street, provide a path for local people to bring new businesses with their enthusiasm and energy to the town centre. That we can be a welcoming centre showing what is best about the area and a leading light of the Chilterns that can attract a variety of visitors. Harness the local spirit to try and succeed illustrated by Kop Hill and the Steam railway.

Develop the community centre so that it can meet the needs of the community. Be the next step up from the pub circuit. Bringing the next generation of musicians, comics, entertainers and acting groups regularly to Risborough.



Cllr Josephine Biss

Hello everyone, I am humbled to introduce myself Josephine Nneka Biss as one of your recently elected councillors, I thank you all for according to me the opportunity to serve our community and I promise to do my best to enrich and move our community to the next level.

I am committed to serving you all to make Risborough a place of pride and

Cllr Ian Parkinson

Hello, Residents of Risborough.

My family moved to Risborough fifty years ago when I was five. I had the good fortune to go to school at Aylesbury Grammar, I am an accountant who has worked for the last thirty years around the world taking part in a variety of projects. Recently I have been part of the RARA management team which has guestioned the level and logic of our

past district council's Local Development Plan for Risborough and surrounding



Cllr Andy Shipley

Over the years, many of you will probably have seen me and my guide dogs Gabby and Winnie around town or at the station. It's quite likely that you will have been more familiar with my dogs than with me. I was certainly very conscious that both Gabby and Winnie seemed to know more people than I did.

It's this fact that revealed to me a sense of the community spirit that exists at the heart of our town. If ever we found ourselves in need of assistance, it was never long before a passer-by or fellow

commuter would offer it.

It's this innate community mindedness, even further articulated by Princes Risborough's response to the Covid 19 pandemic that inspired me to run as a candidate in the town council election.

Our town faces some very big challenges in the coming years. I believe that our community has the collective imagination, creativity and drive to build a healthy future for us all.

I am looking forward to working with my fellow Councillors, to find ways to draw upon the expertise, experience and the energy within the community, to develop our responses to the big challenges we face



Cllr Alan Turner

My name is Alan Turner, I've lived in Risborough for 33 years and have been proud to have served as a Town Councillor for the last 18 years.

During that time the Town has faced many challenges and many successes, but as a community, we have always adapted and moved forward.

As a councillor, this has meant playing a prominent part in ensuring that our town continues to thrive whatever confronts us.

The role of a councillor can often be very challenging, certainly varied and always a privilege to be part of a team working for the benefit of our community.

Since its creation in 1894 the Parish/ Town Council has been at the heart of Risborough and I like to think it will still be working for this community in 2194!



Cllr Surinder Marshall

Hi, I am Surinder Marshall I have lived in Princes Risborough for 27 years and I love the atmosphere of the town and the amazing countryside around.

I am honoured to serve the town as an elected member of the council. I sit on the

Commercial Services, Economic Regeneration, Event and PR and Town Committees.

I am looking forward to working with my colleagues in continuing to bring excellent developments and events to Risborough.

I am also leading the recently set up Environment and Climate Change Working Group. The climate crisis impacts everyone and we want to ensure that Risborough is ready and doing its bit to meet the Net Zero target we need.

We will be implementing the Council's existing Tree Strategy and Zero Plastic Waste policy as well as improving Risborough's biodiversity through our Biodiversity policy - check out the Town council Website for details. We will be working on more plans and it is important that residents are included in this process.

So, we will be seeking to involve the town as much as we can on our journey to Net Zero.

Feel free to contact me with any ideas you might have about reducing the town's carbon footprint.

Introducing your Town Councillors



Cllr Jane Rampin

I am Jane Rampin and hello to all of you.

Buckinghamshire and moved to Lacey Green in 2004 to bring up my two children. For over 30 years I worked across Europe as a Chartered Surveyor, often in urban planning and regeneration. I am now based in the UK so keen to work with you all on local matters and wanted to take this opportunity of thanking you for electing me to the town council.

I chair the Economic Regeneration Committee and sit on Commercial Services and Town Committees. I am also on the Environment and Climate Change Working Group.

Town centres are incredibly important places as they are where communities meet and what gives residents a sense of belonging, connection and pride in where they live. Town centres, and the facilities they offer, are constantly in need of revitalising to reflect changes in demographics and new trends. Princes Risborough is about to go through a period of significant change and ensuring the best outcomes for our community is high on my list of priorities.

You elected me to deliver a resilient and stronger Princes Risborough, fit for the future. We are so fortunate to live in such a wonderful area, with access to beautiful countryside. The town is full of creative, caring people and we are keen to see more residents involved in innovative solutions and initiating and implementing new ideas.

I am dedicated to engaging with the community and would like to hear from you and get you involved with ideas for the town and its future.



As such I have built up a good knowledge of the town and as time has passed I have found myself more and more interested in the events that happen in the town.

My family have been involved with the town council in some capacity, with both my wife and mother-in-law serving as town councillors. Because of this, I have volunteered to help in the various events that happen within the town, such as the summer festival, Christmas light switch-on and Armistice Day. I have really enjoyed getting involved in these events and find it a very satisfying thing to do, giving something back to the town that has been my home for a long time. Now as a town councillor I can be much more involved in these events in the years to come and I'm really looking forward to it.





Cllr Mark Roberts

Firstly I would like to say how proud I am to be able to represent you all as town councillor for Princes Risborough. I have lived in the area for the last 35 years, living in Lacey Green initially and then moving into the town itself in January 1995.

I am currently an operational training instructor in Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service and I have served in the county for 28 years, I am hopeful that some of the skills I have learnt during my service will help me during my term as town councillor, working as part of a team and helping members of the public has always been a big part of my life.

Cllr Gary Hall

I am a lifelong resident of Risborough, having lived in Hawthorn Road, Highfield Road, Fairway and now Canterbury Close.

I have my own small business locally, I've been a member of the Town Council since 1991 and am also a member of

Buckinghamshire Council representing Risborough and Longwick.

I like to play an active role on the Town Committee as this is where important decisions are made regarding our local surroundings and residents can see the impact of those decisions. I look forward to seeing you around the town soon.



Join us at the next **Farmers Market**

Please come and join us at our next Farmers Market on:

Saturday 18th September from 9am - 2pm at the King George V Park, Wellington Avenue.

This market is a foodies delight that showcases a wonderful array of produce that is lovingly made by our carefully selected friendly producers right here in the Chilterns, and where possible within a 40 mile radius of Princes Risborough.

With a wide range of products including cheese, cured meats, plants, gin, craft-beers & ales, artisan bread, pies & sweet-treats, vegan delights and much more. We are always on the lookout for new and exciting vendors to join us, so please do get in touch by contacting the Town Council on 01844 275912 or email towncouncil@princesrisboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk

New Outdoor Fitness Equipment

Following a successful funding application earlier this year,

Council's North West Chiltern Community Board for some

additional outdoor gym equipment in St Dunstan's Park.

The new equipment differs from the products installed in

basically replicates the type of resistant equipment you would

The equipment was installed at the end of July and following a

small focus group with a local personal trainer, it was thought

that the additional items should carry on in a line rather than

The same Personal Trainer has also offered to show people how to use the equipment and we will promote the equipment

Wades Park in that they are hydraulic gym units, which

find in an indoor gym.

with a small launch event.

forming a cluster.

the Town Council secured a grant from the Buckinghamshire

Community Board

North West

Chilterns

Further details will be posted on our social media sites.



A new look & name for **Community Hub**

We are pleased to announce the successful completion of a circa £750,000 refurbishment and extension of the former Community Centre, which has been renamed to the Wades Centre.

Designed by local architects Morgan Architectural Designs and built by BEP Contractors the newly transformed and the extended main hall has been bought up-to-date, and will now officially be known as the Brushwood Suite.

The Suite which comprises of a large modern, bright function room with its own dedicated bar area, toilet facilities, commercial kitchen and state of the art PA system also has an external patio area overlooking the green space of Wades Park.

The large flexible space can accommodate 120 people seated or 300 standing and is soon to be available to hire for social & corporate gatherings, and special occasions.

The build which began in March 2020 is the Town Council's largest-ever investment to date and features many smart and green technologies including underfloor heating which is powered by an air source heat pump, electric heaters to provide hot water eliminating the need for fossil fuels and where possible using local materials.

Wades Centre will also feature a separate 60-seater café which is expected to open later in the summer. Please do visit our website for further information of these fabulous new facilities and hire availability.





Christmas in **Risborough is back for** 2021!

The Christmas Light Switch-on will take place on Saturday, December 4th in the High Street.

Our team of councillors & officers will soon start planning for the day of which our residents can enjoy a host of festive stalls selling arts and crafts, gifts and food and plenty of activities for all the family.

Any individual, business or group interested in taking part in this event should send a request to kirsty@ princesrisboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk

Children's Play Date at Wades Park

As part of the gradual return to normality following our horrendous 18 months we are pleased to announce that Princes Risborough Town Council will participate in the Play Around The Parishes initiative recently announced by Buckinghamshire Council.



The event is aimed at children aged 1-11 and there will be a range of activities on offer, from a bouncy castle, arts and crafts, soft play and much more!

Staff will be on hand to assist but parents must stay and supervise their children.

This will take part in Wades Park on Friday 27th August starting at 10 am and finishing at 12 noon.

There is a small fee of £2.50 per family which can be paid on the day (cash only). Access to public toilets will be provided in the Wades Centre (former Community Centre).

There will be plenty of space for you to relax in our wonderful park however you may want to consider bringing chairs as unfortunately, we are unable to provide them.

However we have a brand spanking new water fountain that accommodates all members of the family (including dogs), so free water for all!

Why not put together a picnic and make a full morning out of the event?



Risborough Basket

Your High Street delivered to your door!

Visit **www.risboroughbasket.co.uk** today, shop local and receive free, same-day delivery. From locally



produced craft beer to the last minute birthday gift, Risborough Basket has it covered.

Events for our community

Art in the Park S

Art in the Park is running for its eighth year now and over 50 artists are competing to be crowned this year's winner.

The entries cover a diverse collection of styles and media, including textiles,

ceramics, photography as well as more traditional paintings and drawings. The art is due to be displayed in Wades Park. At the time of going to press we are currently going to print with the final 30 prints.

Please keep posted to our social media for further updates and a big thank you to **Becky at Cymbeline** the contest sponsor.

Switch Off Your Engine Campaign

Reducing Air Pollution Please Stop Idling! Air Quality Management Area Reduce harmful emissions **TURN OFF** your engine whilst stationary

Poor air quality is the biggest environmental risk to public health in the UK (British Medical Journal, BMJ)

Fossil fuel engine emissions create air pollution and are linked to climate change and lifethreatening illnesses. Leaving an engine idling is also an offence under the Section 42 of the Road Traffic Act 1988*.

The Town Council is therefore launching a campaign to raise awareness and stop idling of stationary vehicles in the Risborough area.

One minute of idling is equivalent to one mile driven and produces enough exhaust emissions to fill 150 balloons with harmful chemicals, including cyanide, nitrogen oxides and fine particulate matter.

These can result in health conditions such as heart and lung disease, strokes or cancer and are particularly damaging to children. A new report out links air pollution to asthma in babies, and a judge has ruled that air pollution was directly to blame for one child's death. In our High Street children in pushchairs and people sitting outside the cafes are particularly at risk due to the height of the exhausts pumping out toxic fumes.

There are many misconceptions around engine idling like starting an engine uses more fuel than idling for short periods of time; starter motors are not resilient enough to withstand the engine being turned on and off; idling on double yellow lines means the vehicle cannot be classified as being illegally parked. All these beliefs are false.

The Environmental Protection Team of Buckinghamshire Council is supporting us with this initiative and has provided PRTC with some eyecatching blue signage to put up in the proposed Air Quality Management Areas in our High Street, outside schools and near bus stops.

Turning off your engine will save fuel, save money and be good for the environment. Even better walk, cycle or 'scoot' whenever possible, which is pollutionfree. Lift sharing and stacking up multiple errands to justify using a vehicle also helps as does switching to an electric vehicle. Let's work together to change our behaviour, habits and choices to reduce pollution levels and improve everyone's health. Thank you in advance for your support.

Useful resources: www.idlingaction.london www.cleanerairsooner.org - a new national air quality programme aiming to improve air quality in and around schools or @idlingaction and @mumsforlungs on Twitter.

*This enforces rule 123 of the Highway Code, which states: "You MUST NOT leave a vehicles engine running unnecessarily while the vehicle is stationary on a public road." To be specific, Section 98 of the Road Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations 1986/1078 requires a driver to stop the engine of a vehicle when it is stationary so far as is necessary to prevent noise or exhaust emissions, unless the vehicle is stationary because of traffic. The Dept. of Transport has stated that drivers who leave their engines running while parked could face tougher penalties and fines under new proposals.



Welcome Back Risborough Event



Following on from the Welcome Back to the High St campaign and the easing of restrictions, the Town Council would like to provide a fun afternoon event where the whole town can meet as one.

This will take part on Saturday 4th September 2pm to 6pm in Wades Park so please save the date in your diaries and pray for good weather!

We will coordinate an afternoon of entertainment by local artists and a wide variety of food and drink are to be provided by local businesses and organisations.

As well as enjoying a much-awaited informal social time together and a chance to meet your new council this is an opportunity for local charities such as school PTAs to run a fund-raising stall.

Please let us know if you are interested to take part by emailing and we will send you more details.

At the time of writing we are finalising the line-up of performers and hospitality vendors.

We will keep residents updated via the Town Council website, Facebook and Twitter feed. Please look out for signs around the town and help us spread the word to your contacts.

If there is anyone reading this who would like to help out at the event or perform in front of an audience could they please contact the Town Council office to provide details in case we have a spare slot?

The same goes for anybody who would like to provide refreshments or run a stall during the afternoon. towncouncil@ princesrisboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk





Protection our town assets

Did you know that within current legislation there is the ability to safeguard a building or piece of land that is of importance to the local community?

A building or land can be listed as an asset of community value if its main use has recently been, or is presently used, to further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community and could do so in the future.

Nominations can be made by:

- local parish councils
- community groups (an unincorporated group • with at least 21 members who are registered to vote in the district)
- local neighbourhood forums •
- industrial of provident societies
- companies limited by guarantee •
- charities
- community interest groups
- To nominate an asset, groups must provide:
- the address of the property •
- details of the owner
- the extent of the site
- why they feel it is an asset of community value
- evidence of eligibility to nominate

For a nomination to be successful, evidence must be submitted to show that the asset furthers the social wellbeing and interests of the local community. This means evidence of regular community use, for example evidence of multiple community events, gatherings, or meetings.

It is often helpful for nominators to submit as much supporting information as possible detailing when and how the asset furthers the social wellbeing of the community (i.e. how often certain events take place, and the section of the community that they benefit).

The Town Council has recently set up a working group to look how we can protect our town and will be calling on our community to help with such nominations. In the meantime, do contact the Town Council office if you would like to know more.

MEETING SPACE AVAILABLE

Are you struggling to find a meeting room? Why not consider the Market House in the heart of Princes Risborough's High Street.

This historic building, dating back to the mid-17th century occupies a prominent position in the town.

The upper room has now been fitted out to accommodate groups of up to twenty who want to use it as a facility to meet. It is fully equipped with conference room tables and chairs, wifi access, and a TV and data hub to use for presentations. In addition, there is hot and cold water, facilities to make teas and coffees and a toilet. Not forgetting, that it is surrounded by a vibrant High Street where you can purchase anything else you need!



This unique building is an exciting and unusual place to hold your next meeting. If you are interested in finding out more about the opportunities and costs for hire, or would like to take a look around before deciding, please contact the Town Council and we will be only too happy to show you around.

Unfortunately, due to the historic nature of the building, access to the upper room is only possible via an iron staircase. This means that access is not possible for those who require additional accessibility support.

Hire prices start from only £12 per hour.

To make an enquiry or booking please email bookings@ princesrisboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk or call 01844 275912

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Office Hours - Monday - Friday 9.30am - 3.30pm

The full Town Council meets at 7.00 pm, bi-monthly on the last Tuesday of the month. There is a 10-minute slot at the beginning of each meeting when the public can express a view or concern relating to town matters. Please check the website to confirm

The next meetings are: Tuesday 28th September Tuesday 30th November

The Town Council aims to be as accessible as possible, and welcomes the views, comments and concerns of the Princes Risborough electorate. Although the views of the whole Council are given wherever possible, for constitutional and legal reasons we must state that the views expressed herein Crosstalk, and in any personal correspondence received from individual Councillors, are those of the author concerned and do not necessarily express the opinions or policy of PRTC unless explicitly stated.