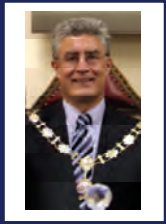


# Sawbridgeworth Town Council Newsletter



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## Message from the Mayor



*Dear Resident*  
*One of my key aims as Mayor this year is to encourage as many people as possible to play a part in the decision making processes on matters that affect our lives, and those of future generations.*

*This autumn East Herts Council has launched a major consultation which asks the question 'Where would you put 8,500 homes and supporting infrastructure?' A consortium of major developers is proposing that all of these houses should go north of Harlow on land on which it either owns or has an interest. This land is in our neighbouring parishes in East Herts. I believe it is vitally important that the people of this town have their say. You have until 25<sup>th</sup> November to respond. Depending on when you are reading this it could be your last chance to play a part.*

*If you would like to answer all of the questions on the Core Strategy Consultation you can go online to*

*<http://eastherts-consult.limehouse.co.uk>. If you would just like to comment on the issue of houses north of Harlow then you may go to [www.stopharlownorth.com](http://www.stopharlownorth.com) where you can respond specifically to question 43 of the consultation. East Herts Council has also included a hard copy form of the questionnaire in their quarterly Link magazine. If you need any further help or advice please call in to the Town Council Offices in Bell Street.*

*Finally, I have recently set up a 'Sawbridgeworth Mayor' Facebook account to provide yet another way for you to get in touch. I look forward to hearing from you.*

*In the meantime I hope that the run up to the festive season does not prove to be too stressful and I wish you all the very best for Christmas and the coming year.*

**Cllr Eric Buckmaster**

*Mayor of Sawbridgeworth*

## Changes to Sawbobus

We're just coming up to the first anniversary of Sawbobus and the changes that we made in August seem to be working fine. What people asked for was for Sawbobus to run on more days in the week. What they asked for next was to include the High Wych area.

Thanks to our generous sponsorships, in addition to the original grant we receive from East Herts Council, we are now operating from Monday to Saturday and including High Wych and the Rivers Hospital in our new route.

We are particularly grateful to Budgens for their sponsorship of the Thursday service and for letting us use a space in their car park as our bus stand. This has made shopping for our passengers a much easier experience. We are soon going to install a bench at the bus stand; this has been kindly donated by Sawbridgeworth Rotary Club.

Thanks also to Cyril and Ken who are doing a great job as our two drivers. Please let them have suggestions for future changes to the service, they will pass them on.



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## Police in Sawbridgeworth



HERTFORDSHIRE  
CONSTABULARY

The summer holidays have passed with no incidents and general anti social behaviour was at an all time low. In relation to crime Sawbridgeworth has had the biggest decrease in crime in the last year across the whole of Hertfordshire.

I would like to thank all those residents that responded to the Designated Public Place Order questionnaires and the comments and feedback are greatly appreciated. We now have to see if East Hertfordshire Council approve the DPPO and further public consultation will take place before it is implemented.

We have recently had a rise in burglaries to the area where properties are being broken into and vehicle keys removed so the vehicles at the property can be stolen. Please do not think that just those people with high value vehicles are being targeted, it can happen to anyone.

Here are just a few tips to help reduce these types of crimes:

- Make a habit of checking that ground floor windows and doors are closed and locked when you leave the house or go to bed. Upstairs windows should be locked when the house is unoccupied.
- UPVC doors must be locked by lifting the handle **and** using the key to ensure all the security features are in place.
- Car and house keys should be kept out of sight in a safe place. Don't leave them on display on window sills, in porches, hallways or kitchens.

Secure your rear garden by shutting and locking any gates. Burglars can use garden tools to break in, so make sure you securely lock away any tools after use.

Why not be a good neighbour - if they are out, help deter burglars and give their home the lived-in look by putting away their emptied rubbish bins.

Visit [www.owl.co.uk](http://www.owl.co.uk) or call the police non-emergency number on 0845 33 00 222

Whilst Sawbridgeworth is a safe town with a low crime rate we need to deter any criminals from the town by being aware of crime prevention and ensuring that any criminals that do visit the town come away empty handed.

You can also help by keeping a look out for unusual callers in your neighbourhood, and call the police if you see anyone acting suspiciously. Keep a pen and some paper handy. The car number you jot down may be just what the police need to catch a burglar.



Why not sign up to Neighbourhood Watch? The image of curtain-twitching is gone and you can now join online.

## Annual Town Service of Remembrance

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2010  
3pm at the War Memorial  
followed by a service in the parish church of Great St. Mary's.

The parade of uniformed organisations will assemble in Bell Street car park and march off at 2.45p.m., to take up their positions around the War Memorial, where two minutes silence will be observed, followed by a wreath laying ceremony and then a formal service in the parish church.

The Town Clerk's office will have issued instructions to all the organisations represented in previous years, the wreaths being available for payment and collection from The Dulux Decorator Centre in Church Street on the 12/13<sup>th</sup> November. Please direct any queries via 07931 929864.

Please support **OUR COMMUNITY** by attending this special event.

**Flt Lt Andrew Passfield**  
**RAFVR(T)**  
Officer Commanding  
309 Squadron A.T.C.



## Clubs & Groups

Please send us your group or club contact details to be displayed on our website [www.sawbridgeworth-tc.gov.uk](http://www.sawbridgeworth-tc.gov.uk) for the whole community to see.

Our contact details can be found on page 4

# Christmas is coming!

Sawbridgeworth

Christmas Lights

26 November

5:45pm

Bell Street Car Park



The lights switch on also features:

- Christmas carols
- Hot chocolate
- Mince pies
- BBQ
- Mulled wine
- Pantomime characters
- Father Christmas
- Childrens' competition and best dressed shop window competition

## Lights of Love Ceremony

Saturday 04 December 2010

4pm, Bakers Walk



We would like to invite you to join us in remembering loved ones and friends who will not be with us this Christmas. Lights on the trees are symbolic in remembering and celebrating the lives of loved ones at this special time of year.

During our Lights of Love Ceremonies there will be a short service of remembrance, the singing of carols, and a countdown to the lighting of the tree. You will also be able to take home a small star to keep and hang on your own Christmas tree.

Names will be entered for each ceremony in a Book of Love, which can be viewed before, or immediately after the service. The Book of Love will then be on display until January at the nearest Hospice shop to the ceremony.

To donate in memory of your loved one, all you need to do is download and fill in the Lights of Love form which can be found on our website [www.isabelhospice.org.uk](http://www.isabelhospice.org.uk) and send it in to us with the name of the person you are making a donation in memory of Their name is then entered into a Book of Love. The Book of Love will be displayed at your ceremony location and afterwards at the local Isabel Hospice shop until the end of January 2011.

For more information please contact:  
Maria on 01707 382500  
or visit our website: [www.isabelhospice.org.uk](http://www.isabelhospice.org.uk)

## Note from the Clerk

The Farmers Market in September was a great success. Numbers of people attending were well up on the summer market and two new stalls were introduced. At the next market on Saturday 06 November we will have a questionnaire asking both shoppers and stall holders about how often they would like a market and in which months. For example; is the Christmas market, which is on Sunday 19 December this year, too close to Christmas itself?

We are continuing to press for changes in parking arrangements in the town. A number of suggestions made as a result of meetings with the District Council and Hertfordshire Highways are currently being evaluated.

A water supply is being laid on at the Bellmead allotment gardens and once the work is completed we will revitalize the area and enable some people who have been on the waiting list for some time to be allocated plots.

The former CVS minibus has now been brought up to scratch mechanically and the bodywork has been repaired and cleaned up so that it now looks smart again. It is used a great deal by a wide variety of organisations already. Any enquires for its use should be made to Laura Carter at the Council Office.

Finally an appeal. The Town Council recognises from the priorities expressed in the Town Action Plan that the young people of the town desperately want a skate park. When we asked in the spring edition of the newsletter for suggestions for a suitable location, we did not have a single reply – so if you have got any ideas please let one of your Councillors or me, at the Bell Street office, know.

## Sawbridgeworth Farmers' Market



Bell Street Car Park  
9.30am-1.30pm

Sat 06 Nov 2010

Christmas Market  
Sun 19 Dec 2010

Sat 05 Feb 2011



## Events

Tell us about your event and we will add it to our online events calendar for all to see.  
Our contact details are on page 4.

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