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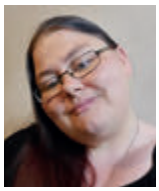
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All meetings will be held at the CPCC Community Hub and are open to the public

COUNCIL MEETINGS

18 November, 7:30pm
16 December, 7:30pm
20 January, 7:30pm
17 February, 7:30pm

COMMITTEES

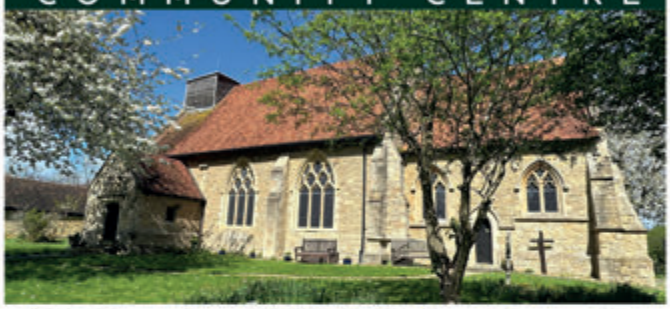
Planning, Infrastructure & Transport
3 November, 6.30pm
1 December, 6.30pm
5 January, 6.30pm
2 February, 6.30pm

Finance, Administration & Policy
2 December, 7pm

Estates
11 November, 6.30pm
9 December, 6.30pm
13 January, 6:30pm

Community & Communications
26 November, 6.30pm
27 January, 6.30pm

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TRIBUTE TO COUNCILLOR PENELOPE HALTON-DAVIS



It was with both sadness and appreciation that our September Council meeting marked the recent passing of Councillor Penelope Halton-Davis. Fellow Councillors led tributes to "Penny" as she was universally known, speaking with great warmth and affection about the service she had given to Council and residents for well over a decade. The meeting acknowledged Penny's dedicated work as a Councillor, her many local achievements and her contribution to the betterment of the community.

Although Penny represented Fishermead as a Councillor, her passion for protecting the environment, working with young people and being there for friends and neighbours was felt across our whole patch. Penny also enlisted her family in her work, with one of them often helping beside her at our community events. Penny was always in her element at our children's parties; she took great joy is seeing our youngest residents having a fantastic time.

Penny was the creator and editor in chief of the Kid's Corner section of our magazine since its inception. She would artfully blend a range of subjects, aimed at keeping children safe and getting them to have a fun time. Penny's love of animals and nature shone through her articles, often delivered in her "tongue in cheek" style. We will give some thought as to how to take Kid's Corner forward - please let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions?

Penny, thank you for the memories, you were one of a kind and will be a hard act to follow.

THE CPCC COMMUNITY HUB
IS NOW OFFICIALLY OPEN!

Campbell Park Community Council

What a wonderful week of celebrations we had to mark the official opening of the CPCC Community Hub!

We were very pleased to welcome representatives from a wide range of community organisations and local businesses to the Hub for a very special Networking Lunch. Also in attendance were many of the professionals and contractors that were involved in the delivery of the CPCC Community Hub project. The Chair and Clerk of CPCC gave our guests an insight into the journey we have been on to make the vision for the Hub a reality and also shared our aspirations for what we hope to achieve for our residents, by working with community partners. The event was a wonderful opportunity to make connections and share ideas and set new projects in motion.



The Mayor of Milton Keynes had the great pleasure of officially opening the building for you all accompanied by children from some of our local schools. The ribbon cutting ceremony was followed by an uplifting performance from the Orchard Academy choir, who sung beautifully.

We had lots of activities and entertainment for the rest of the day with many children enjoying the huge inflatable and games provided by MK Play Association, kids crafts with Cllr Val, facepainting, nature activities with MK Parks Trust and young and old(er!) trying out the African drumming workshop provided by Obase. We even had a quiet corner where visitors were able to crochet or knit poppies. We also enjoyed a programme of live music throughout.

Thank you to everyone that came along or contributed in some way. We received some lovely comments about the event and also about the Hub. It was wonderful to hear how it has quickly become such an important part of our community.







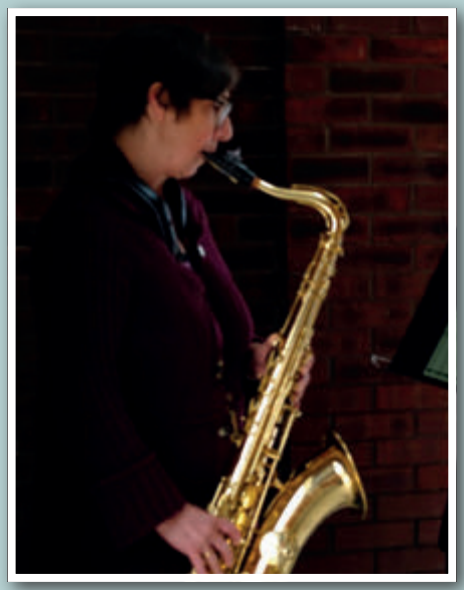





















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FOR 4-11 YEAR OLDS
The packs contain a range of Christmas themed paper-based activities including colouring sheets, wordsearches, mazes, spot the differences along with some pencils, pens, crayons !
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Did you know that there are 3 Community Libraries in the CPCC area?

In **Springfield** at the CPCC Community Hub - All Good Cafe

In **Fishermead** at the Trinity Centre

In **Woolstone** at the bus shelter on Pattison Lane at junction with Marshalls Lane

All the community libraries are open to everyone.
Take or borrow a book and/or leave one for someone else to enjoy

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

WORKING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

For over 40 years, Neighbourhood Watch has been encouraging safer and stronger communities. For many of us, this is reflected in our own instincts to be good neighbours and look out for each other.

As individuals or families we value living in a safe and secure home and this is greatly helped by living in safe and secure environments and communities. To this aim, Neighbourhood Watch links with the Police and other authorities, helping bring a strong emphasis on crime awareness and crime prevention, as well as encouraging reporting to the Police our suspicions or concerns.

You may have received our leaflet already.



It has three simple messages:

1. Join Neighbourhood Watch at **ourwatch.org.uk** By doing this you will receive the all-important local Police Alert messages.
2. Once signed-up please also join your local Neighbourhood Watch scheme using the postcode search.
3. If that scheme is not near you, please apply to start your own scheme. Once approved, the Milton Keynes Neighbourhood Watch Association can supply materials including street signs.



AUTUMN CRIME PREVENTION

As the nights are drawing in, there is less daylight and increasing opportunities for criminals. During the autumn and winter months burglaries tend to increase. Homes left unlit during dark afternoons signal to burglars a property is empty. Here are some tips to keep you safe.



- Think about smart bulbs or lights on timers to create occupancy.
- Install exterior lighting on a movement sensor, timer or dawn to dusk set-up. Remember to reset the timers when the clocks go back.
- Think about pruning back vegetation so as not to allow cover for thieves.
- Ensure doors and windows, and their frames are secure.
- Remember to lock doors and windows.
- Check your UPVC or Euro cylinder door lock to see if it is snap resistant. It should be marked with a three star Kite mark. **locksmiths.co.uk/faq/lock-snapping**
- Keep keys, valuables and money out of sight.
- Secure your wheelie bins to a fixed point so to prevent them being used by intruders as climbing aids.
- Mark expensive equipment with paint, permanent marker, an engraver or UV pen with your house number and postcode.
- Defrosting your car: stay with it! Car thieves look out for unattended cars. Your insurance is unlikely to pay-out if your car is stolen this way. If in a rush - use de-icing spray.
- If you are planning a holiday, ask neighbours to watch over your home and to ensure that post is pushed completely through the letterbox.
- Better still, set up a local Neighbourhood Watch scheme to build safer homes and communities!

To join Neighbourhood Watch, sign-up at the website **ourwatch.org.uk** and become a member. It's free. Whilst there, join a Neighbourhood Watch scheme local to you or start a scheme yourself. It's easy and an excellent way to bring your neighbours together to build a safer community.

JOIN
ourwatch.org.uk

CLIMATE CHANGE ECO TIPS

Campbell Park Community Council

LIGHTING YOUR HOME

1. Light bulbs! If the average household replaced all of their bulbs with LEDs, it would cost about £100 and save about £35 a year on bills. **www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins**
2. Use natural light when you can to save energy. Sit by the window. Decorate your home in light colours to maximise natural light.
3. Turn your lights off when you're not using them. If you switch a light off for just a few seconds, you will save more energy than it takes for the light to start up again, regardless of the type of light. **www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energyefficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins**
4. If you have lights in your garden use solar powered lights that charge during the day and don't require electricity..

KEEPING WARM

1. Make sure you close your curtains when it gets dark to stop heat escaping.
2. Get draught proof to stop losing heat. Professional draught-proofing of windows, doors and blocking cracks in floors and skirting boards can cost around £200, but can save around £25 a year on energy bills. DIY draught proofing can be much cheaper. Installing a chimney draught excluder could save around £15 a year as well. **www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins**
3. Make sure your hot water tank is insulated with a thick jacket. It will save you lots of money not to mention reducing your carbon emissions.
4. Has your loft got loads of insulation? It's one of the cheapest and easiest ways to save energy and will pay for itself in hardly any time.

ECO CHRISTMAS IDEAS

1. Be creative in the gifts you give this Christmas; make sure your desire to be loving is not damaging the environment.
2. Getting ready for the festivities of Christmas. Buy as much locally produced, in season food and particularly veg as you can. Try not to over cater and waste food.
3. Wrap and rewrap. Why not reuse your wrapping paper. Take a bit of care unwrapping your presents (it adds to the gift experience), save the paper and reuse next year.
4. Be creative in what you use to wrap gifts in – make the packaging part of the gift and reusable, for example place items in a glass jar, box, basket or bag tied with a ribbon.
5. Enjoy the feast of Christmas! Don't forget to recycle your rubbish. Don't waste unwanted presents, find new homes for them – re-gift, donate to a charity shop or sell.
6. Get ready with your environmental New Year's Resolution. How will your care for our environment in the coming year?

IN THE KITCHEN

1. Never put warm or hot food into the fridge or freezer as this will make the fridge work extra hard to try and keep it cold; always allow food to cool down first.
2. Use a bowl to wash up rather than a running tap and save £25 a year in energy bills. **www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins**
3. When making a cup of tea, only boil the amount of water that you need. You waste electricity (and money) heating water you won't use.
4. Eat less meat, particularly red meat; producing 1kg of beef produces the equivalent CO2 to you driving a 300mile round trip while leaving all your lights on at home.

NEW FOOD **COMPOSTER**

CPCC have recently invested in the purchase of a food composting machine. This clever bit of kit turns food waste into compost within 24 hours.

Whilst we continue to be mindful to not be wasteful, a target within our Climate Emergency Action Plan was to look at ways we can re-purpose food waste efficiently. This new machine enables us to take all food waste from the All Good Café and our staff room and turn it into nutrient dense compost that we can then use as part of our landscaping services on our estates.

As it has only just arrived, we are still learning how to get the best from the machine, but once we get to grips with it, we may be looking for community partners to also contribute their food waste to keep it well topped up!!

CPCC GRANTS

Campbell Park Community Council

Grants & Free Use too support local community groups

Campbell Park Community Council is keen to support groups delivering services in the CPCC area.

Any group, society, playgroup, or charitable organisation in the CPCC area, or benefiting residents of the CPCC area, may apply for a grant from the Community Council. If you can show us that the grant will be put to good use, we are only too pleased to help.

Would like to start a new activity, deliver a community service or start a community group for local people within the CPCC area, but need a venue? Perhaps you need use of a space to run your sessions, to enable you to gauge interest or to build up the attendance but without the burden of venue hire charges. We might be able to help you!

Please contact us or visit our website at **https://www.campbell-park.gov.uk/services/grants/** to find out more.

We recently awarded the following grants;

- £500 to YMCA Milton Keynes towards their resident support and activity programme



- £990 to Spinal Injuries Association to help them to spread awareness of the charity and the support available to disabled residents, through the purchase of a branded gazebo (which was used for the first time at the CPCC Community Hub Official Opening Event)
- £1000 to Hooke Heritage Project as a partnership grant for the development phase of the project in Willen
- £1000 to MGB Community Services towards the delivery of the Fishermead Breakfast Club

For more information about our grant funding, please visit **https://www.campbell-park.gov.uk/services/grants/** or contact the Community Officer on 01908 608559



We invite applications from new or existing community groups or charitable organisations that wish to provide a service/activity which helps to meet the needs of local residents.

We may be able to offer your group:

- a **grant** towards the cost of delivering projects
- **free use** of CPCC's community spaces.

Support available for community groups delivering services in the CPCC area

(Oldbrook, Fishermead, Springfield, Woolstone & Willen)

Find out more at:

www.campbell-park.gov.uk/community-council/services/grants/

CPCC Campbell Park Community Council

CPCC Community Hub,
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If you have any questions please email

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sia spinal injuries association

FOR LIFE AFTER SPINAL CORD INJURY

Spinal Injuries Association (SIA) grows presence in the MK community thanks to community council support

Spinal Injuries Association (SIA) are continuing to develop their community fundraising groups to complement their already thriving community support groups in the Milton Keynes area.

With jumble sales, curry nights and family fun days all on the horizon for existing groups, it is looking like a great way to have some fun and raise vital funds to support SIA's work in supporting the spinal cord injury community.

Community fundraising groups are a great way to meet new people from across the spinal cord injury community interested in supporting SIA. We're looking for volunteers to commit a small amount of time each month to raise awareness of SIA, support our campaigns and run fundraising activities in their local communities. By joining a group, you will raise vital funds for SIA helping to ensure we can continue to deliver our gold-standard of spinal cord injury support.

So why volunteer in a fundraising group?

- You will help people with SCI and their families to live fulfilled lives by raising funds for crucial frontline support services.
- Learn new skills such as event planning and marketing.
- Meet new people from the spinal cord injury community and try new things
- Become a campaigner to champion the cause.
- Become part of the SIA family and make a difference.

If you're interested in finding out more, SIA's Community engagement officer, Sallie Stone-Bearne, will be there to support and advise the Milton Keynes group, and after a recent generous grant from Campbell Park Community Council, she tells us about what this means to her work.

Sallie said "I'm excited to work with a Milton Keynes fundraising group as the most local to our head office at SIA House in Oldbrook. The kind grant from Campbell Park Community Council means the new gazebo can be used by this group at events to connect with those needing support and fundraise in their local community. I'm looking forward to helping to bring together more volunteers to deliver these groups that will help us deliver a greater service to our members and all those affected by spinal cord injury".

If interested in joining or starting a group in or around Milton Keynes please visit **www.spinal.co.uk/fundraising-groups** and register your interest.

citizens advice Milton Keynes

Citizens Advice Milton Keynes is a local charity that has been providing advice, support and assistance to people across the city since 1972. Our services are free, confidential and impartial – we are not a government agency.

We help people with important matters that affect their daily lives, such as:

- debt
- welfare benefits
- housing

We can also support you if you're having problems at work or going through a relationship breakdown, and we can refer you to other organisations even if your issue falls outside our remit. For many people, we're the first port of call when something's worrying them.

Citizens Advice Milton Keynes has a large network of community-based outreach locations across the city so that people can access advice closer to where they live. We're thrilled to be working with **Campbell Park Community Council (CPCC) who have kindly agreed to fund this new service**, and we're pleased to be welcoming them to our growing network of neighbourhood advice services.

- **Where**: Appointments are held at the CPCC Community Hub, Springfield Boulevard, Springfield, Milton Keynes, MK6 3JS.
- **How to book:** This service is **appointment only** (not a drop-in).
- Please use the **secure booking form** via the QR code below to arrange an appointment with us or visit **www.miltonkeynescab.org.uk/get-advice/outreach-locations/** where you can access a link to the form for Campbell Park residents.

This service is only available to people who live within the Campbell Park Community Council area.

COMMUNITY LARDER

CPCC

Community Hub
Springfield Boulevard,
Springfield MK6 3JS

The Springfield Community Larder is open weekly on Wednesdays, 2-4pm

Membership only from £4.50 a week

Join the Community Larder to access surplus food at a low cost and help us to reduce food waste



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ALL GOOD CAFE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS

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Wednesday 24 Dec	9am - 3pm
Thursday 25 Dec	CLOSED
Friday 26 Dec	CLOSED
Saturday 27 Dec	9am - 3pm
Sunday 28 Dec	9am - 3pm
Monday 29 Dec	9am - 3pm
Tuesday 30 Dec	9am - 3pm
New Years Eve	9am - 3pm
Thursday 1 Jan	CLOSED
Friday 2 Jan	9am - 3pm
Saturday 3 Jan	9am - 3pm
Sunday 4 Jan	9am - 3pm
From Monday 5 Jan	Normal Opening Hours Mon-Fri 9am-3pm Weds close at 4pm Sat & Sun 9am-3pm

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY FOR YOUR FIRST SESSION
AS YOU MAY NEED TO COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM

SEATED EXERCISE

Low impact exercise to suit all levels of fitness including complete beginners and those with reduced mobility

CPCC COMMUNITY HUB - MONDAYS - 1:30-2:15
WILLEN PAVILION - TUESDAYS - 1:30-2:15
FISHERMEAD TRINITY CENTRE - FRIDAYS - 2:15-3



£3 per session
Payment by CARD is preferred

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

Hello from everyone at Shepherdswell Academy

We are delighted to share the incredible achievements and experiences of our students this term at Shepherdswell Academy.

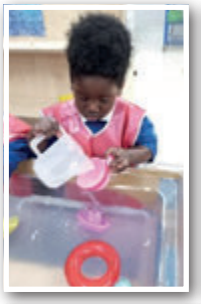
Our children have immersed themselves in a wide range of engaging learning opportunities—from exciting hands-on science experiments to imaginative art projects. Their energy, dedication, and love for learning have been truly inspiring.

This term, our students have not only excelled academically but have also embraced and lived out the core values that define our school: Community, Curiosity, Courage, Creativity, and Collaboration. These values have been at the heart of everything we do—whether through teamwork in group projects, acts of kindness on the playground, or bold thinking in the classroom.

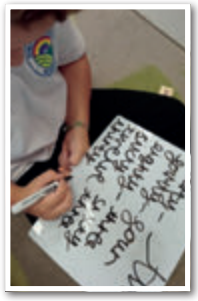
- In Nursery, our youngest learners have been exploring the changing seasons with wonder and excitement.
- Hedgehogs Class have been developing their fine and gross motor skills through cutting, sticking, mark making, and painting—laying strong foundations for future learning.
- Woodpeckers have been shape detectives, exploring the school to find and identify different shapes as part of their Maths learning.
- Foxes have ventured into Forest School, where they discovered and wrote about the fascinating plants, insects, and animals they encountered in nature.

We are incredibly proud of all our students and the progress they have made. Their enthusiasm, resilience, and creativity continue to shine through in all they do. Thank you to our dedicated staff and supportive families for helping make this term such a success.

If you have a child starting school in September 2025 and would like to find out more about us or organise a tour, please contact the school office on 01908735865 or **Parents@shepherdswell.emat.uk**







The Willows and Early Years Centre Winter Report








As always the start of our new school year has been busy welcoming new children and families and getting stuck into our learning. The children have already had opportunities to attend "Super Clubs" run by our dedicated after school club staff:

Our children have proudly represented the school at the opening of the new hub on Springfield and were presented with certificates from the Mayor.

We still have so much more to look forward this term. We are all enjoying the homework tasks of the term as many children and choosing to bake cakes as their acts of kindness so the children and staff are all very appreciative of these acts. Our children have been going swimming each week and the enjoyment and progress which they have made has been AWESOME. As a school we feel very proud that we not only support our children to make academic progress but progress as confident, inquisitive people who can all excel in some way.

If you would like to book a tour for a school or nursery place (from 2 years old) please contact the office on **01908 528803** or **office@thewillowseyc.org.uk**

Willen Primary School
Winter Report

It has been a busy and exciting first term at Willen Primary School, with pupils across the school enjoying a range of enrichment experiences to bring their learning to life.

Our youngest learners in EYFS set out on a wonderful autumn walk, noticing the changes in the natural world and collecting seasonal treasures to support their learning about the world around them. In Year 1, children stepped back in time for an engaging Explorer Day, sparking curiosity about the lives of those who travelled and discovered new places in the past.

Year 2 pupils channelled their creativity during Photography Day, experimenting with composition and perspective as part of their art learning. Year 3 and 4 immersed themselves in history through an exciting Egyptian Day, deepening their understanding of ancient civilisations.

Upper Key Stage 2 also had inspiring opportunities. Year 5 welcomed a visitor from Anglian Water to learn about sustainability and the importance of saving water, inspiring them to become passionate Eco Advocates for our school community. Meanwhile, Year 6 experienced Evacuation Day, stepping into the shoes of children from the Second World War to bring their history topic to life in a memorable way.

Alongside these special days, we were delighted to elect our new school council. The children are eager to represent their peers and are already planning projects that will make a real difference across the school.

Oldbrook First School & Nursery
Winter News

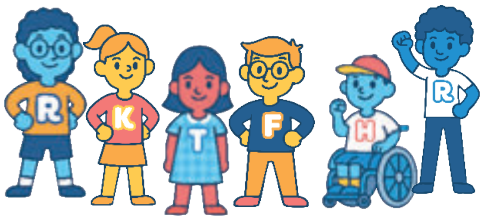
This Autumn we welcomed our new Reception and Nursery children into our school family to start the next phase in their learning as well as 2 year olds in our purpose built Nursery. The children have been enjoying the wonderful range of learning experiences and play on offer in our well-resourced learning spaces, both inside and out. They have been learning about our first school value, **Friendship**.

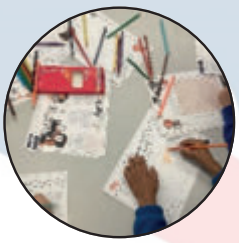
Our amazing staff team continue to work hard to provide the very best education and care for the children of Oldbrook. In Year 1 the children have been learning about our local area of Oldbrook and Milton Keynes and enjoyed a sculpture walk around the city. Children in Year 2 have been learning about the world we live in, comparing Milton Keynes to the Masai Mara.

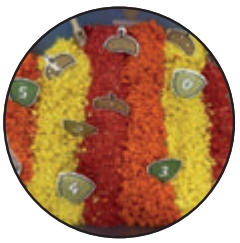
The children across the school and nursery have enjoyed a range of other visits and first-hand learning experiences to support their learning as well as further developing their understanding of our school community values. These are at the heart of everything we do and promote our motto, **Together we make the difference!**

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2026 or require a nursery place for a 2 or 3 year old, then please contact the school office to arrange a meeting or tour to find out more about our amazing community school and nursery. Your child's first educational experiences can set the tone for their future academic career and happiness. Our nurturing school will enable your child to reach their full potential in a happy and caring learning environment.

Mr Hopkins
Headteacher






Together we make the difference

CPCC
Campbell Park Community Council

Since we opened the CPCC Community Hub in Springfield, a number of residents have asked us how they can get involved and help with community activities either at the Hub or in our local area.

Would you like to get involved?

There are various things you could help us with and we're always open to your ideas too. We are also keen to hear from you if you would like to share skills or interests with others






If you would like to join our Volunteer Register, please send your details to community@campbell-park.gov.uk Alternatively you can call us on 01908 608559 or pop in to see us at the CPCC Community Hub to find out more.

Remembrance Display

We have been delighted to be part of the project to create a cascade of between 4,500 and 6,000 poppies to be hung behind the original concrete cows at Milton Keynes Museum. The display will be open from the 15th October until 13th November

Pictured below is Sam Reid, Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Manager & local resident collecting the latest batch of poppies beautifully made by some local residents.



The Willows Day Care

The Willows Day Care

We are excited to announce that from January 2026 we will be opening The Willows day care. This will be a small unit to support parents who receive the 30-hour funding from the Government, for children from 9 months old.

The unit will build on our successful nursery which already has children from 2 years'

old. Your children will experience high quality care, snacks and freshly cooked meals as part of their time with us at no extra cost.

If you would like further information about timings, additional costs for wrap around please phone on 01908 528803, see the school website or pop into the school office.

The Willows School and EYC

LANDSCAPING UPDATE

Campbell Park Community Council

As the seasons change, so does the way we care for our green spaces. Over the winter months, our landscaping teams will continue with their regular pruning and maintenance, while also focusing on a few new priorities designed to make our parks, pathways and alleyways even more enjoyable for everyone.

One of the key changes this year is how we manage shrub growth in areas that can sometimes feel less welcoming, especially in the evenings. Many residents have told us that tall planting can reduce visibility and make paths feel enclosed. While we cut these areas each year, some plants grow back much faster than others, meaning the clear sightlines don't last long.

To address this, we'll be carrying out additional coppicing – carefully cutting shrubs down to between knee and ankle height. At first, this might look like a dramatic change, but please be assured: the plants will grow back healthy and strong. By managing their growth in this way, we'll be able to maintain a better balance between greenery and visibility, making public spaces safer, lighter and easier to use.

Winter is also the perfect time for this kind of work. Many plants are dormant, so pruning and coppicing now encourages healthier growth in spring. It also helps us get ahead of the faster-growing varieties, meaning you'll see a real difference by the time the days start to lengthen.

Alongside this, we're also replacing some of the older dog waste bins across the estates. These upgrades will make it easier for everyone to play their part in keeping our parks and open spaces clean and pleasant for all visitors.

Your feedback plays a vital role in shaping the way we look after our local environment. By telling us what works well and where improvements are needed, you help us focus our efforts where they matter most. Together we can make sure our green spaces continue to be safe, welcoming and well cared for throughout the year.

How you can help

- Let us know if you spot any damaged bins or landscaping issues.
- Always use the bins provided to help keep our parks clean.
- Share your feedback and ideas with us at **landscape@campbell-park.gov.uk**



Do you enjoy walking?

We are recruiting local residents who love to walk, to become **Volunteer Walk Leaders**



- Walks will be held on a weekly or monthly basis
- During daylight hours
- Around 1 hour long, between 2-3 miles
- Training, guidance and support provided
- Women only walks, Men only walks or walks that are open to all - you choose
- Walk Leaders can set the walking route, the day & time of the walk - we can help with this, if needed
- A great opportunity to meet new people and get some exercise at the same time!

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If you are interested or would like more info contact CPCC on 01908 608559 or email community@campbell-park.gov.uk



Vehicle Crime
Crime Prevention Advice

Whether you depend on your van for work or use your car for commuting, a break-in can be costly in terms of time, money and peace of mind. Protect your vehicles and their contents by following these steps:

- **Always lock doors and windows:** It seems obvious but it's the first line of defence.
- **Park in well-lit areas:** Thieves are less likely to target vehicles in visible, well-lit or busy locations.
- **Remove valuables from sight:** Keep items like laptops, bags, and tools out of view or take them with you.
- **Install an alarm system:** A good alarm can deter thieves and alert you to any break-ins.
- **Use steering wheel locks:** These add an extra layer of security and can discourage potential thieves.
- **Consider GPS tracking devices:** In case of theft, these devices can help locate your vehicle quickly.
- **Keep your keys out of sight at home:** Ensure that your keys are not visible or accessible from the outside to prevent opportunistic theft.
- **Store your keys in a metal tin or a Faraday pouch:** These block the signal that allow a thief to unlock your vehicle without a key.
- **Install a smart doorbell or CCTV system:** These security measures can deter thieves and provide valuable evidence.

If you witness a crime in progress, please call 999 immediately

Non-emergency incidents can be reported by calling 101 or online at the Thames Valley Police website. Scan the QR code below for more information and advice on vehicle crime prevention.

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