



EXTRA *SEDGEFIELD*

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Notice something different? For the next few editions, we are trialling the benefits of bringing the Extra to you in full **COLOUR** to get the best out of the news we have to share. We'll let you know the outcome of this trial next year!



SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL'S ANNUAL

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

CEDDESFELD HALL GROUNDS | FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2022

**DISPLAY STARTS 6:30PM
ADMISSION 5:45-6:20PM**

**ADMISSION BY TICKET ONLY. TICKETS ARE
CASH ONLY & NON-REFUNDABLE UNLESS
EVENT CANCELLED.**

**TICKETS ON SALE FROM 20TH SEPT 2022
@ SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE
(9-12 WEEKDAYS) & CEDDESFELD HALL**

£2.50 ADULTS | £1.50 U16s

**HALLOWEEN
HOWLER
PUMPKIN
COMPETITION**



Bring your carved pumpkin along to the Fireworks Display to enter our competition! Entries can be submitted in Ceddesfeld Hall car park between 5:45pm and 6:00pm. No naked flames - LED tealights only. The Mayor of Sedgefield will select the top three winners. Prizes can be collected from the car park after the fireworks.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY 2022 CONTINUED

We are very happy to confirm that admission ticket prices will remain the same as in recent years (adults £2.50, U16s £1.50) as a way of celebrating the importance of this well-loved event on community spirit and acknowledging the impact the increased cost of living is having on our residents. We are committed to providing a fantastic family event while maintaining the same high levels of community safety. Therefore, the increased cost of fireworks will be absorbed by the Town Council.

MORNING AFTER FIREWORKS PLOG



Join Sedgefield Ploggers in the grounds of Ceddesfeld Hall for a litter pick in the daylight on the morning after the display. Gloves/bags/grabbers will be provided. Everyone will be welcome! Saturday 29th October 10:30-11:15am.

UPDATE FROM THE MAYOR: CLLR DAVE JASPER



The first 3 months of my year as Mayor of our wonderful town have been incredibly busy but hugely enjoyable. Julie and I have been delighted to meet many residents engaged in various community activities. We have been pleased to be invited a) to present the medals to the tug of war teams at the Mediaeval Fayre, b) to help groups of youngsters

plant up the tubs on the Village Green, c) to attend the Strawberries and Prosecco afternoon by the Twinning Association (where we won the quiz), d) to visit the Methodist Church to listen to Belmont Ladies' Choir and e) to go on a tour of The Hive.

We have met a great many Mayors, Deputy Mayors, Civic Heads and Consorts during my term of office so far and have become good friends with some of them. We really enjoyed our day in Stockton when the 8 Rifles were given the Freedom of the Town. But the highlight of my time so far has to be my first event, the fabulous night in the Parish Hall with 50s/60s tribute band The Moondogs. It was a roaring success where over £1,400 was raised for my charities, Cancer Research UK and local community groups. Those who were there have clamoured for a repeat performance so they will be back on Friday 18th November. I'm looking forward to meeting lots more busy villagers during the year and to raising much more money at my events so do keep an eye out for what is coming up next.

COMMUNITY CHEST FUND: SPYS AT EDINBURGH FRINGE

We're always delighted to hear about the impact donations from our Community Chest fund have made on local community groups. We recently supported the SPYS with £100 towards their trip to Edinburgh Fringe (pictured right). We're glad they had an amazing time!

If you know of or represent a community group or local organisation that may benefit from a donation, visit the community chest page of our website www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk for details of how to apply.

NORTHUMBRIA IN BLOOM JUDGING UPDATE

Sedgefield warmly welcomed Northumbria in Bloom Judges on 27th July 2022. Although we are all eager to find out what they thought about our beautiful town, we will have to wait until late September to find out how we have placed. Regardless of the results, we are sure you will agree that the town's stunning floral displays have made a huge, positive impact on our community. Thank you to the Town Council's gardening staff, Stephen and Ben, plus all the Sedgefield in Bloom volunteers.



SUMMER COACH TRIP SUCCESS & FUTURE TRIP PLANS

As always, we were delighted to hear how much everyone enjoyed our sold-out summer coach trip to Keswick in June and the additional trip organised to Richmond & Northallerton held at the end of August. This trip was put on with short notice after a request from a resident that was well-supported by our regular attendees, so we're sorry if you didn't get a chance to get a seat on the coach but we do intend to run three trips a year going forward and will take feedback and suggestions on board for next year. Please keep an eye out for our Christmas coach trip to York poster that will be taking place on a Thursday towards the end of November to coincide with the Christmas market.



At the time of writing this, we are halfway through our summer holiday programme which was kindly funded by East Durham Rural Corridor AAP's Youth Fund. We'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who attended our coffee morning on Friday 12th August. We had lots of fun baking the day before and raised an amazing £205.50! We've done a lot of crafting, played loads of games and even been bowling at Hollywood Bowl! We've got another trip planned to Planet Leisure, we're holding a movie night and throwing an end of summer holidays party with bouncy castle, games, face painting and a huge buffet! Here are a few snaps of our holiday fun so far -> You can see more images and up-to-date info from us on the news page of the Town Council's website www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk.

Our sessions have now been altered to accommodate more y3-y6s and we're over the moon to start welcoming some new year 3s to the club! We'll be getting a new poster produced soon, so please keep an eye out for that. The new sessions are as follows: **6-7pm Y3-Y5** and **7-8:30pm Y6+**, all held on a Monday evening in Sedgefield Parish Hall during term-time.



TUB PLANTING 2022

We're overjoyed that our annual tub planting event has returned! It warmed our hearts to see all the budding gardeners from Sedgefield Hardwick Primary School, Sedgefield Primary School, 2nd Sedgefield Brownies, 1st Sedgefield Beavers and 1st Sedgefield Rangers back together again on the village green. We hope to see you all again next year!

The tubs are looking amazing and we had a fantastic time planting and learning in the sun. Big thank you to the Mayor of Sedgefield Cllr Dave Jasper and his Consort Julie for joining in the fun!



TREE WORKS IN SEDGEFIELD

In 2021, the Town Council commissioned an independent tree officer to assess the status of all trees on Town Council-owned land and as a result, a programme of tree work for 2022/23 has now been agreed. The Town Council has sought all necessary permissions from Durham County Council and appointed a contractor to carry out the work, which is due to commence over the coming months. The intention of this work is to ensure our tree stocks are safe, healthy, protected and nurtured but in some instances trees will have to be removed based upon the arboricultural advice we have received.

VILLAGE GREEN POLICY UPDATE

The Town Council's Village Green Policy is now available on our website at www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/village-greens. This Policy explains what is meant by the term 'village green', identifies all areas of village greens in the town (which aren't actually all green!), defines the Town Council's responsibilities for these areas along with information on rights of access, how they should be used and more. A full map highlighting village green areas in Sedgefield can also be found on the webpage.

If you have any queries regarding village greens, please consider taking a look at the policy.

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CONCERN	WHO TO CONTACT	CONTACT INFORMATION
General Enquiries	Customer Services	03000 26 0000
Refuse / street lights / pest control / dog fouling / stray dogs / grass cutting / litter / graffiti / roads and footpaths	Highways / Streetscene	03000 26 1000
Planning Applications	Planning	03000 26 1060 / www.durham.gov.uk/planning
Benefits	Revenues & Benefits	03000 26 2000
Council Tax	Council Tax	03000 26 4000
Apply / Renew Bus Pass	Sustainable Transport	03000 26 8667
Apply / Renew Blue Badge	Blue Badge Scheme	03000 26 9425
Council Housing	Livin	0845 50 55 500

Alternatively, Durham County Council concerns can be placed via text on 07786 027280 starting with the word INFO or via www.doitonline.gov.uk. It is very important that you register your views with Durham County Council. Your voice matters and could make a difference for all local residents!

SAVE THE DATE

Mayor's Coffee Morning
Saturday 2nd Sept 2022
Sedgefield Parish Hall

Mayor's Quiz

Friday 21st Oct 2022
Ceddesfeld Hall

**tickets available now
from Council Office**

Mayor's Fashion Show

Thursday 27th Oct 2022
Sedgefield Parish Hall

**tickets available now
from Council Office**

Fireworks Display

Friday 28th Oct 2022,
Ceddesfeld Hall Grounds

Remembrance Service

Sunday 13th Nov 2022
St Edmund's Church &
War Memorial

Mayor's 50s/60S

Charity Evening ft.

The Moondogs

Friday 18th Nov 2022
Sedgefield Parish Hall

**tickets available now
from Council Office**

Snow Party

Saturday 26th Nov 2022
in various locations

Mayor's Carol Service

Thursday 1st Dec 2022
St Edmund's Church

Mayor's Race Night

Saturday 21st Jan 2023
Sedgefield Parish Hall

Mayor's Civic Ball

Friday 3rd March 2023
Hardwick Hall Hotel