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WELCOME TO THE BOURNEMOUTH JOURNAL

I just wanted to update you on the IMAX situation and let you know that we are working hard to send a strong message to NILGOS (Waterfront building owners) and Sheridan (IMAX operators) that we want some action. We're also pushing the landlords to improve landscaping and architectural detailing of the building.

On a much more positive note... repair works to Bournemouth Pier's 'landing stages', which have been closed, will take place. We recognise what an important landmark this is and want to make sure boating services continue this summer.

The Pavilion will undergo refurbishment – including essential repairs to the stage, toilets revamp, theatre re-seating and foyer upgrade – work is likely to start early next year.

Last year's 'Great Bournemouth Debate' showed us how much you care about civic pride, the quality of our environment (four Blue Flags, six Seaside Awards and seven Green Flags) and how important it is to maintain these high standards. Find out how we're ensuring cleaner streets on pages 26 and 27.

We've appointed architects for the Winter Gardens who have an international reputation. The Council's learnt lessons from private developments and it's essential that the scheme sits well in the locality. That's why we've undertaken a major study of the Exeter Road area to make sure all the plans for development in that area fit together. See pages 9 and 10.

I hope you enjoy this edition; the next one will be with you between 27 June and 10 July.

Until the next time...



**Cllr Richard Smith,
Leader of the Council**

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NEWS

Council round-up

Here's a round-up of decisions that have been made by your Council recently:

- Councillors decided to submit a bid to the Government for a 'large' casino licence – see page 10 for more details.
- A Tourism meeting at the end of March saw the Council and the Bournemouth Area Hospitality Association (BAHA), Bournemouth Tourism Action Group (BTAG) and the Chamber of Trade agree to work together and push NILGOS (the owners of the Waterfront building) for an urgent meeting.
- Cabinet looked at the Exeter Road Design and Development strategy, see page 10 for more details.
- The future of boating services from Bournemouth Pier will continue this summer after the Strengthening our Economy Scrutiny Panel agreed to repair landing stages which had been closed for health and safety reasons.
- Cabinet considered offers received for the sale of Priestley Road allotments.

To keep up with decisions made by your Council look at www.bournemouth.gov.uk

Be stylish in the wet

We've got a limited number of umbrellas for sale at £12 each, featuring the new Bournemouth logo. If you'd like a Bournemouth umbrella call 454668 or email carly.earnshaw@bournemouth.gov.uk for further details.



Measuring up our services – we may be phoning you...

Last autumn we started a programme of regular monthly surveys with residents and parks users designed to give you the chance to tell us how you rate some of our key services. Now we've rolled the programme out even further to include benefits applicants, tenants, seafront visitors and callers to our cleansing and waste customer service centre.

Beach and parks visitors may be approached in person during their visit whilst all other surveys will be carried out by our research partners, Hill Taylor, who will phone a random sample of customers who have recently used the other services. Hill Taylor will also contact residents in general to give them

the chance to have their say about more universal services such as refuse, street cleansing and roads.

Deputy Leader of the Council, Cllr Adrian Fudge said "Your input is vital so if you receive a call please try to spare the time to help us improve our services. Our researchers will take just a few minutes to ask some simple questions about how satisfied you were with various aspects of the service you received. Your opinions will be used to tailor our services to meet your needs more closely."

Hill Taylor act as an independent researcher so you will never be identified by your responses and your details will never be passed onto any other company. The feedback from this research will be

reported directly to the managers responsible and will, in turn, be used to set future performance targets. We will be publishing the targets in future editions of this magazine along with regular updates of how you are continuing to rate us, so you can see how we measure up.

If anyone has any concerns about these calls, please contact Claire McDaid on 454962.



Sparkies help improve their communities

Anneliese Parker, Nabeela Khan, Jennie Barker, Christine Pickering and Brenda White were all presented with beautiful glass awards recently to celebrate their success as 'sparkplugs'.

Sparkplugs are locals who have been involved in projects aimed at reducing crime and improving community safety. These local residents have been involved in a West Howe bike and graffiti project; 'a clear up Churchill gardens' scheme; a Townsend welcome pack; an Islamic awareness project and a Keeble kid safe scheme.



THE MAYOR WITH WINNERS ▲

All of the projects were developed and delivered by residents, with support from the Council. Cllr Jean Moore Cabinet Member for Community and Culture said. "These projects work because there is a tremendous amount of will to make them happen by the sparkplugs. They decided what they wanted to do and did all of the work it took to make that happen, I'm very proud of what they have all achieved."

If you have ideas for projects in your area that will improve community safety and you want some help in getting started, please call the Community Safety team on 454797.

Residents rate council magazine

This magazine has been given the thumbs up by local residents after we undertook some research to find out what people think.

It's been over a year now that we've been producing a magazine instead of the old newspaper style Bournemouth Journal. And so it was time to find out if we're doing things right and where improvements can be made. Four focus groups took place at

Strouden Library and we also asked members of the Citizens Panel, a representative sample of over a thousand local people.

You told us that you find the magazine interesting and useful and that you like the colours, design and use of photographs. Your favourite articles are 'Day in the life', 'Area Focus', 'What's on' and you also like the news and health sections.

Things to improve

- Some people are not receiving their copy so we will be working with our distribution company to improve this – if you or someone you know doesn't receive a copy please call us on 454961 or email bournemouth.journal@bournemouth.gov.uk
- It seems that you want to see some nice scenes of Bournemouth on the covers as well as people, so look out for the next few editions and see if you spot the changes.
- More letters – you said that you want to read more letters from residents but we need your help! Please write in with your comments and questions and we'll aim to print what you have to say along with a response from us. See page 33 for more details.



Look out for the next edition which will be delivered to homes between Monday 26 June and Monday 10 July.

If you have any comments email: bournemouth.journal@bournemouth.gov.uk

EASIER SYSTEM FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

Local voluntary organisations will be pleased to know that our improved grants programme is now open for applications for local projects. We've completely revamped the programme after you told us that the application process needed to be simpler, you wanted a faster turnaround time for decisions and that you favoured smaller grants for more organisations.

"The new process is a welcome challenge", said Cllr Jean Moore, Cabinet Member for Community and Culture, "It is moving in the right direction by shaping the process to suit the applicant. It will help the smaller organisation working locally to improve their local community".

The application form and guidance has also been designed to be similar to that in the Borough of Poole, so that groups that work in both areas will find the process recognisable.

So if your project fits into one of the following headings we want to hear from you:

- Community involvement
- Anti-poverty
- Equal opportunities and valuing diversity
- Children and young people.

Any organisation wanting an application form and guidance should contact:

Louise Thornton on 451165 or email louise.thornton@bournemouth.gov.uk



The new face of fostering

Becoming a foster carer can be one of the most rewarding experiences you'll ever have. In more ways than one. You'll see your work reflected in the progress of the child you're caring for. You'll be offered training and support to help you with the ups and downs of foster family life. And our new Payments for Skills scheme will make sure your work receives the rewards you deserve.

We know the special qualities needed to look after someone else's child. So we now offer three levels of payment for foster carers linked to the experience they have and the complexity of the work they do. As a new foster carer you'll probably start at level one. With training, commitment and further experience you can progress to level two. Then there's level three which is linked to professional training in the form of NVQ3 in Health and Social Care (Children and Young People) and enables carers to work with challenging young people who have more complex needs. Whichever level is right for you, we'll be there to support you all the way.

We're looking for people from a variety of backgrounds who can offer foster homes, particularly for teenagers and children who need long term stability. On a practical note you'll need a spare bedroom, and it goes without saying that you'll need patience, time and energy. Foster carers can be married or same sex couples or single people; but they'll definitely be able to offer the care and commitment needed.

Come along to our next fostering information evening. Call the Fostering Team on 456757 for more details.

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The introduction of a new telephone payment system means that you can now pay your council bills when it's convenient for you.

The automated phone system allows you to pay for the following services:

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- Social Services (home care/day care/transport)
- Benefit overpayment
- General invoice
- Council rent

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LOCALS PLAN FAMILY EVENTS

Two fantastic family events will soon be taking place in Queen's Park and they've both been arranged by QPIPS – that's the Queen's Park Protection and Improvement Society.

History Day

The first event is the 'history day' on Sunday 14th May at Queen's Park Pond. Locals will be celebrating the conclusion of their Lottery Heritage Initiative project. Rebecca Sheppard's Oral History book will be launched by re-creating a snapshot of the past as told to her by local residents.

The opening ceremony will begin at 3pm where you can listen to music, watch model boats on the pond and enjoy a picnic. Why don't you help create the ambience of the past by dressing in Victorian to 1930s costume? Prizes awarded for the best costumes and refreshments available.

Picnic in the Park

Sunday 25th June 2006 promises to be the best 'picnic in the park' yet with a traditional fair from 1-5pm and a band bash from 5-8pm.

The community fun day will have stalls and arena events galore including a circus entertainer and workshop, birds of prey, dog training, children's craft tent, dancing and music. All kinds of refreshments will be available including a hog roast, barbeque, beer tent and more. There'll be lots of competitions too from fancy dress, tug of war, a golf tournament and don't forget the local bands in the evening.

Bring a picnic, balls and kites to both events and come and enjoy your local park. There will also be golf buggies available to escort people with disabilities to the pond to see the new renovated, wildlife setting and any model boats.

All enquiries to A Sheppard on 528679 or email events@qpips.org.uk

Speaking out for older people



Local older people will have a golden opportunity to share their views about the services they receive at a unique event to be hosted by Help and Care and the Bournemouth Older People's Strategy Group, at the Pavilion on Wednesday 31 May.

'Speak Out Bournemouth 2006' will enable older people and service providers to discuss issues in a relaxed way, in a series of workshops and at exhibition stands. Those taking part include the Council, the Royal

Bournemouth Hospital, the Primary Care Trust, fire, police and ambulance services, Dorset Healthcare Trust and the Pensions Service.

'Speak Out' will run from 10.30am until 4pm, and a free lunch and refreshments throughout the day will be provided. Help with transport can also be arranged.

Places are limited so please apply for tickets early. These are available from Help and Care on 0845 4500 418, or by ringing Barry Bull on 416019.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES WEBSITE LAUNCHED

A new website has been launched providing a portal for mental health service users, carers, professionals and members of the public to find out about mental health issues, local community events and to share information.

Raisin – The Resources And Information Social Inclusion Network – has launched the site at www.raisin.org.uk and is asking anyone who is interested to take a look. Please send your feedback and provide any information that could help make the site better including details of any local events and links to other relevant websites.

Raisin is a joint project whose partners include Together – Working for Wellbeing, Dorset Mind, JP Morgan, Crumbs, Neighbourhood Management and the Council.

THERAPIST'S SLING DESIGN ADOPTED

One of our Occupational Therapists has been instrumental in the design of a new hoist sling which is already making life easier for disabled people and their carers.

Teresa Stanley's inspirational idea was taken to the drawing board by Liftech Systems Limited whose industrial expertise enabled the concept to become reality. Prototypes were designed, manufactured and trialled with Community Care service users. This customer research contributed to the development of the new product, known as the Stanley Combination Sling. Its design and construction provides comfort for the user and significantly reduces the time a carer needs to provide personal care.

The working partnership between the Council and the Totton-based company enabled the project to move from original idea to finished product within three months.

IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH

Carers Week takes place from 12–18 June focusing on the health and emotional wellbeing of people who look after a sick or disabled relative, partner or friend. The 2006 theme, In Sickness and in Health, reinforces the notion that, for many, caring is not about choice. It also aims to highlight the effects that caring can have and support people in their caring role. Bournemouth's Community Care Services are planning a variety of events for carers including complementary therapy sessions and practical hints on how to keep healthy.

The Carers Week programme includes a special evening event for carers who also work outside of the home. If you're a carer and would like to find out more, telephone Bournemouth Care Direct on 454979. They'll be happy to tell you about help with transport to the events or care for the person you look after if it's needed.





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MAKING WAY for arts and culture

Work started on clearing the Winter Gardens site in March. The initial work included removal of asbestos from some areas of the building and securing the site, with fencing put in place. Demolition of the redundant building is now well underway, and all site preparation work will be completed towards the end of May. Over the summer, while designs are being worked on, we plan to use the site as a car park, bringing in income until work can start next year.

Eden architects for England's coastal garden

Grimshaw, the architects behind the much-acclaimed Eden Project in Cornwall, will be drawing up designs for the cultural centre, guaranteeing it will be a landmark facility for all. After the success of the Eden Project, Grimshaw are the ideal partner to work with on this design. Cllr Angela Manton, Project Champion said, "I'm delighted that Grimshaw will be working with us. They have a leading edge on design and an excellent track record, both of which are essential qualities to deliver the sort of fantastic design that this exciting project demands." Ewan Jones, Associate Director of Grimshaw, said "We are delighted to have won the commission for such an important building for Bournemouth. We are looking forward to working with all of the

partner organisations to design a landmark home for the performing arts on this very special site."

Also appointed are Denley King Construction Consultants, to undertake the project management and cost control services for the new Winter Gardens. Denley King are an award winning, progressive consultancy, who recently celebrated their 60th Anniversary. Major schemes completed include The Rose Bowl, Hampshire County Cricket Club Ground, Academy, Golf Course and Fitness Suite; Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, the host watersports venue for the 2012 Olympics and Bournemouth University, (Wallisdown Campus). Denley King's professional expertise brings a mix of excellent project management, along with quantity surveying and development skills. Tom Denley, Director said, "We're really keen to work with Bournemouth Council and the other partners on the Winter Gardens project. It's a challenging and exciting scheme, but between us I'm confident we can deliver a world class arts and culture facility."

Could YOU be on the Winter Gardens Board?

We're looking for local people – that could mean YOU – to join the Winter Gardens Board. We need people with a background in education, the arts, or business management to join our Board on a voluntary basis and help manage the operation of this much-needed facility. Interested? Email winter.gardens@bournemouth.gov.uk, or call Stephen Godsall, Corporate Director on 451102 to find out more.

Classic flick, anyone?

With partners in place for the education centre and much of the arts centre, it is time to seek out an art-house cinema operator, to complete the picture. We are currently 'testing the market' to find a suitable partner, and will tell you more in a future edition of the magazine.

Don't forget our dedicated Winter Gardens website, bursting with information about the development. Check it out at www.bournemouth.gov.uk/wintergardens

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THE EDEN PROJECT

Large casino bid submitted

The perfect location, the right economy and the ideal time – that's Bournemouth's message in our bid to host the best 'large casino' on the south coast.

Our bid has now been submitted to the Casino Advisory Panel, which will decide where the country's one regional (super), eight 'large' and eight 'small' casinos will be.

We are keen to ensure the town realises all the associated regeneration benefits of one of the country's first large casinos, if the bid for a licence is successful. The Council, as the Planning and Licensing Authority, would expect to choose between several rival bids with criteria including the quality of the scheme and the level of regeneration benefits.

The final scheme, which would not be decided until spring 2007, will be a major new tourist attraction for Bournemouth giving a significant boost to the local economy. It is forecast to attract 750,000 visits per year and will create up to 900 jobs.

As well as a casino with up to 40 gaming tables and 150 gaming machines, any development would

be likely to include quality restaurants and other attractions, including something for children (away from the gambling area, of course). The casino itself would offer more than just gaming – there could be relaxation zones offering massage and music for example, free internet and iPod connection, and services such as shoe shine and car valeting. The Bournemouth Area Hospitality

“ Any development would be likely to include quality restaurants and other attractions ”



Association, Bournemouth Tourism Action Group and Bournemouth Chamber of Trade & Commerce all support the application, and around a third of residents said they would be likely to visit the attraction, when surveyed through the Bournemouth Citizens Panel.

The development will generate many well paid job opportunities for local people both in the direct operation of the casino and the extensive associated leisure facilities and as a result of an increased demand for tourism in the area.

The bid also highlights the fact that, despite Bournemouth being the UK's top holiday destination, the need to reinvent itself is essential to keep people returning and attract new visitors. It is time for this reinvention and a large casino is an ideal way to do it. We now have a long wait until the New Year, when the Advisory Panel will make its announcements.

BRINGING TOGETHER DEVELOPMENTS INTO ONE CULTURAL VISION

A study has recently been undertaken to look at the developments proposed in the Exeter Road area of the town. The result is the production of the draft 'Exeter Road Design and Development Strategy', which looks at the existing character and use of the area and from this develops a vision for the overall vicinity.

With the New Winter Gardens as a centre-piece, we're looking at creating a cultural quarter for the town with better links to the gardens, BIC and beach. We've been advised by the Design Review Panel South West that this study is necessary to ensure that all developments are considered as part of the overall strategy for the area.

Looking at issues such as capacity for development, affordable housing, pedestrian, vehicle and public transport in the area, the study aims to bring together all these aspects as there is significant pressure for development in the Exeter Road/Bath Road area.

Proposed developments include:

- The New Winter Gardens Arts and Education Centre
- Terrace Mount residential scheme
- Bournemouth Hotel School
- Exeter Road leisure development
- The Pavilion Theatre/Bath Road North development

Consultation has already taken place with local landowners, residents, councillors, and developers, who were invited to attend workshops and a 'walkabout' of the town centre. But you can have your say too! If you have any comments about developments in the Exeter Road area email Richard Knott – richard.knott@bournemouth.gov.uk or write to Richard at Planning and Transport Bournemouth Borough Council, Town Hall Annexe, St Stephen's Road, Bournemouth BH2 6EA.

Full details of the consultation and further information will be published on the website in May (www.bournemouth.gov.uk)

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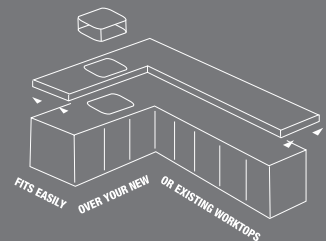
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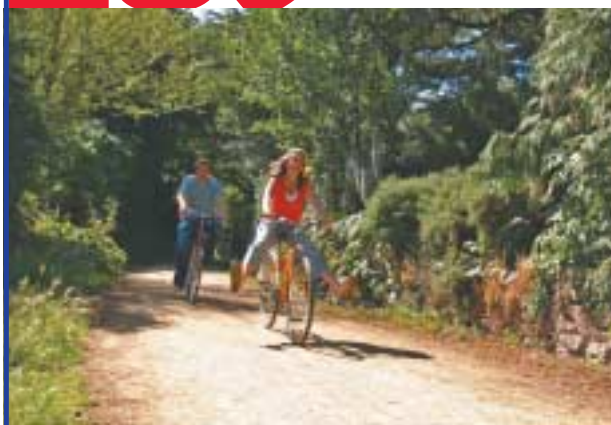


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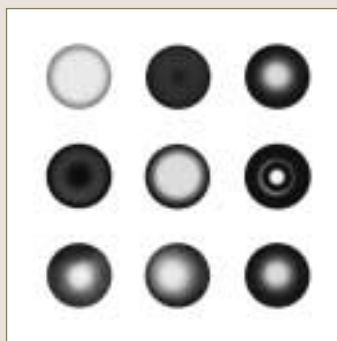
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There's good news for those of you who are over 60, with the introduction of free local off peak bus travel so that you can travel around after 9.30am on weekdays and at weekends or bank holidays without any time restrictions.

With the help of some additional funding from the Government, we've improved the previous half fare bus travel scheme now giving you free travel within the borough. And recognising that many people need to travel across borough boundaries, we're keeping the 'Connect' scheme so you can travel in the Bournemouth and Poole area and on journeys outside the boroughs, as long as you don't need to change buses.

If you're an existing 'Connect' travel card holder you should have automatically received your new pass. If you haven't, do let us know, it may be that we haven't got your latest contact details.

I haven't had a travel card before, how do I get one?

Request an application form and return it to us with a recent passport sized photograph of yourself, proof of age and permanent residency. We'll then post your free travel card directly to you.

How do I use my free travel card?

Just show it to the driver each time you get on the bus. Remember you must always show your 'Connect' card or you will be asked to pay the full fare.

Can I use the pass on any local bus?

Yes, all local bus operators are participating in the scheme. This includes Yellow Buses, Wilts & Dorset (including More and Route ONE services), First, South West Coaches, Shamrock, Damory Coaches, Verwood Bus and Roadliner.

Which areas are covered?

The 'Connect' scheme is jointly operated by Bournemouth and Poole councils. You can therefore hop on and off buses as often as you wish within this combined Bournemouth and Poole area. Providing that travel is not before 9:30 am on a normal weekday, journeys will be free.

Can I use my Connect card on journeys that go outside of the Bournemouth/Poole area?

Yes, providing that your journey either starts or finishes in Bournemouth/Poole and no additional change of bus is required.

What if I need to travel before 9.30 am on a weekday?

During the morning peak time you will have to pay the full fare on the bus and no discount will be available. However, remember that your return journey will usually be after 9.30 am and therefore free. Blind and partially sighted residents can continue to have free travel without any time restriction.

What if I can't travel by bus?

More local buses are offering low floor access, which makes it easier to use buses if your mobility is impaired. If you require assistance to travel you may be entitled to a companion travel card. (Details are given on the travel card application form.)

However, if you are unable to use buses because of a problem with your mobility, you may qualify for National Travel tokens as an alternative to use on local taxi journeys. You will need to supply medical evidence. Full details are provided on the application form.

Contacts

For more information and to request or pick up an application form contact:

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The Parks and Gardens team are gearing up for a special trip after being invited to attend the RHS Chelsea Flower Show 2006 in May, and they've called upon Bournemouth and Poole College students to help them create a show-stopping display.

Chris Evans, Manager at Kings Park Nursery is heading up the Chelsea team and says they have been working hard on the design to come up with something really spectacular for the show. "It's a highly theatrical three dimensional display based on the Bournemouth motto 'beautiful and healthy' and encompasses the healthy lifestyle of Bournemouth residents and visitors."

The 10m x 10m display features five giant pieces of fruit and veg made out of cut flowers measuring three metres high which the floristry students at The College have created. These nestle in a giant willow basket which is surrounded by real fruit and vegetables

spelling out the well known phrase '5 a day'.

Circling this are three sections depicting 'work, rest and play' planted in carpet bedding with points of the compass facing North, South, East and West. The different sections include the Bournemouth Coat of Arms, a typical beach scene with a giant deck chair and finally a hand crafted sand sculpture depicting a surfer riding a wave. The colourful and quirky bedding display will be sure to stand out at the show with its clever use of carpet bedding, cut flowers, props and novel portrayal of healthy living.

Sue Clarke, floristry tutor said, "The College has been very well represented at the Chelsea Flower Show over the years, and we are thrilled to have been asked to join Bournemouth Council for 2006. The designs are very creative and should look quite spectacular when complete. It will put The College and the town on the map."



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GREEN FINGERS WANTED

to help borough blossom

With spring upon us it's time to start turning our thoughts to the garden and once again we're encouraging you to help make Bournemouth bloom. Floral competitions for 2006 will be as popular as ever and it is through the efforts and enthusiasm of the community that helps make our town a more pleasant and beautiful place to live, work and visit.

Bournemouth in Bloom is run solely by volunteers who just want our town to look great. They rely totally on donations and sponsorship and are always looking for people to help or contribute in some way.

Categories

Bournemouth in Bloom organise thirty competitions and there are lots of categories to choose from including 'private residential' (houses and even communal grounds for flats) and 'commercial sector' (including nursing homes and businesses). A new category this year is 'best overall improved Ward' in the 'public sector' group. Volunteers will work with councillors to improve their Ward by planting pedestals and tubs on areas of waste land and other places that can be improved

florally to enhance the local area.

The Bournemouth in Bloom committee will then ask a councillor from each ward to judge another ward.

Judging

All competition entries are judged throughout the summer months. The judges consider the colour theme, quality of design, variety of plants and standard of maintenance as well as first impressions.

Awards Evening

An awards evening takes place at the Pavilion on Tuesday 17 October. The Mayor, the Patron of Bournemouth in Bloom presents the prizes and there will also be a talk on horticulture and displays by local organisations.

Cllr Rob Copeland, Cabinet Member for Environment and Leisure said, "In Bloom is not all about who has the best basket or prettiest garden. It helps make our communities a nicer place to live. There are many benefits to the competition, it can boost the local economy, help regenerate areas and most importantly bring people together."

PRIZE DRAW COMPETITION ...PRIZE DRAW COMPETITION ...PRIZE DRAW COMPETITION

Win two tickets to the Chelsea Flower Show

Most of the Chelsea Flower Show tickets are now sold out but you could be the lucky winner of two tickets for Saturday 27 May (8am-5.30pm).

All you have to do is call the competition hotline and leave your name and address and you will automatically be entered into the free prize draw. Be quick though as the winner will be picked on **Friday 19 May 2006!**

By calling the competition hotline you will also be helping raise funds for the thousands of flowers used in the Bournemouth exhibit – ensuring that the Bournemouth Team are on track to bring home a Bronze, Silver or Gold!

To enter call:
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Calls cost 60p per minute with 30p going towards the cost of the Bournemouth exhibit at the Chelsea Flower Show.



ROB'S TOP GARDENING TIPS FOR 'IN BLOOM' ENTRIES

- When making up hanging baskets, think about putting an old saucer or piece of thick plastic on the bottom to create a small reservoir.
- Water baskets, containers and troughs every day, even if it's rained. It may seem pointless, but rain will only penetrate the top couple of centimetres of the soil.
- Being careful about water is a big priority for everyone. Water butts are quite cheap these days and soft rainwater is the best there is! 'Grey water' is another alternative, using old bath water or washing-up water. Be careful though if any products with a

high salt content have been added. There are now products on the market which can pump water out of baths to be used in the garden.

- Use a good compost to make the baskets, if you don't put a slow release fertilizer in; start feeding the plants after eight weeks every week with a high potash feed.
- Don't over-plant your displays, it can often lead to plants rotting off later in the season due to lack of light and air. A well-planted display can often last right through to October.

BOURNEMOUTH IN BLOOM 2006 ENTRY FORM

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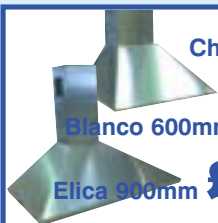
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BOB DYLAN TO PLAY Bournemouth Live!

Bournemouth Live! returns this year for a week full of live performances. Saturday 24 June to Wednesday 28 June will see the Town Centre, Bournemouth Seafront, the Lower Gardens and many other top venues and bars all brought to life with the sounds of live music.

Bob Dylan will be the icing on the cake when he plays live at the BIC on Wednesday 28 June, the final night of Bournemouth Live!

Chris Jenkins, BIC Entertainments and Events Manager and chairman of the Bournemouth and Poole Music Industry Forum said, "We're really pleased to be able to make this happen and I am sure this great live festival will go from strength to strength. Bob is a legend and the perfect act to help showcase the vibrant and growing live music scene in Bournemouth."

There will be four live open air stages throughout the town from Pier Approach to the Square with a selection of well known musicians playing from 10am – 10pm each day. There will be music to suit everyone's tastes from marching bands to jazz and blues and local music venue 'Mr Kyps' will kick off the festival at 10am on Saturday in the Town Centre.



Fringe events

There are a number of fringe events taking place in a diverse range of establishments across the town. These include DJ's at Dusk Till Dawn, an acoustic act in Costa Coffee (in Waterstones) and Jumpin Jaks who have Ray Lewis of the Drifters.

INFO BOX

Tickets for Bob Dylan cost around £35, call the ticket hotline on **0870 111 3000** for more details.

Updated information about the festival can be found at www.bournemouthlive.info
To find out about other Bournemouth events look at www.bournemouth.co.uk



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Here are a few event highlights to give you a flavour of some of the sounds you can expect from Bournemouth Live!

SATURDAY 24 JUNE

- FREE Soundstorm music workshops at the Music Marquee, Lower Gardens from 3 – 9.30pm.
- 'Exit 24' an energetic rock band from Somerset. Pier Approach Stage at 9pm.
- The Town Centre Stage has Geno Washington and His Ram Jam Band – covers of songs by Madness, UB40, Specials, The Beat, The Jam.
- Don't forget the fireworks from the rooftop of Debenhams in the evening at 10pm.

SUNDAY 25 JUNE

- A Grand Parade of marching bands will take place through the centre of Bournemouth from 2 – 2.45pm.
- Imperial Vipers courtesy of Jumpin Jaks at the Pier Stage.

MONDAY 26 JUNE

- Devils Music will be in the Garden Marquee in the daytime putting on acoustic and solo, rock and indie music. In the evening the Dorset Unsigned Music Awards takes place.

TUESDAY 27 JUNE

- Bournemouth Youth Orchestra at St Clements Church in Boscombe at 7.30pm.

WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE

- Bob Dylan and his band at the BIC from 7.30 – 9.30pm.

WINTON REC CELEBRATES ITS CENTENARY WITH A CARNIVAL

It was September 1906 when Winton Recreation Ground got its official opening. Nearly a 100 years on, and with the centenary looming, residents can be sure to celebrate in style with a carnival planned for 15 July 2006.

There has been a groundswell of support to get this event up and running and the Winton Carnival Committee is now busy applying for grants and funding as well as looking for commitment from local businesses.

Please get in touch with the organisers if you would like to be involved in this community event, more details are available from Paddi Dimitri on 515851 or email events@bydesigninteriors.co.uk.

The ever popular and much loved Winton Recreation Ground is nestled in a residential area on the edge of Winton East Ward. Linwood Road, Fitzharris Avenue, Maxwell Road and Heron Court Road surround all four sides of the Rec which is used for a range of sporting activities and general leisure pursuits.

Winton Recreation Ground currently provides:

- 2 Bowling greens, managed through Richmond Park Bowls Trust
- 6 Tennis courts
- Cycle track (Bournemouth Arrows Cycle Club) www.dvsonline.co.uk/arrows/index.htm
- Childrens playground
- Playgroups play building
- Cricket pitch
- Informal grass area

Cricket and bowls celebrate too 100 years of Winton Rec also means a centenary for bowls, cycling and cricket at the ground

In March 1906 the Bournemouth & District Bowling Association formed, it has had its headquarters at the ground since 1990. It's also home to the Richmond Park Bowling Club and Bournemouth Arrows Cycling Club who celebrate their centenary as well!

For more information about bowls at the ground call 515435

Winton Rec facts

- Winton Recreation Ground holds the prestigious Green Flag Award
- The land was bought from the Earl of Malmesbury for £25 per acre
- The Earl officially opened the site on 27th September 1906
- During the Second World War, various parts of Winton Recreation Ground were used for shelters.

Croquet club welcomes new players



Did you know that the pleasant setting of Seaford Gardens, Southbourne, is home to the Bournemouth Croquet club which has been established for more than twenty years?

This is a sport rapidly increasing in popularity and it's suitable for all ages. There are two types of croquet:

- Golf Croquet is the shorter game which appeals to most starters, where each hoop is won or lost as if it were a golf hole.
- Association Croquet is the more serious game for players who develop their skills with the mallet and enjoy a tactical challenge and the building of breaks.

Whatever your preference, members of the Bournemouth Croquet Club are ready to get you started, and club mallets and equipment are available. Open days are being held each Saturday in May at 2pm, why not come along and give it a go? All you need to do is remember to wear flat shoes!

Contact the Club Secretary on 427849 for more information.

Avoid the worst Put child safety first

Child Safety Week – Monday 19 June to Sunday 25 June 2006

Accidental injury is a leading cause of death among children in the UK. Last year, around 300 children and young people were killed in accidents, that's five times as many children as were killed by family abuse or neglect, and 15 times as many children as were killed by strangers.

Accidental injury also puts more children in hospital than any other cause. Every day, around 300 children are admitted to hospital because of their injuries - that's over 100,000 children every year. Many children are left scarred for life or permanently disabled.

The tragedy is that many of these deaths and serious injuries can be prevented.

The theme of Child Safety Week this year is 'Avoid the worst. Put child safety first'. We have chosen this theme because – in our busy

lives – it's all too easy to overlook child safety until the worst happens. Far better to put child safety on your priority list now, before a child is seriously hurt or, worse still, killed in an accident which could have been prevented.

Independent market research has found that Child Safety Week has the highest recall levels of awareness weeks held in June. Half of parents polled said they have acted to make things safer for their children as a direct result of the awareness week. Parents say:

"It opened my eyes to dangers that I wouldn't even have thought of until now"

"I learned that the things I would have done could have put my baby in danger"

"It made us look around our house to check that we had all the safety equipment mentioned"

For more information take a look at the child safety website at www.capt.org.uk

We have devised a questionnaire for parents and guardians to use. Overleaf we give a checklist, based on this questionnaire, to give you a flavour. To see the full questionnaire please see the PCT website at www.bournemouth-pct.nhs.uk and click on Publications/General/Child Safety Week (questionnaire). Or call the Bournemouth Health Information Shop on 01202 318954

Home Safety Checklist

More accidents happen in the summer, on a Sunday and in the evening or when people are in a hurry, under stress or in unfamiliar surroundings. This checklist has been compiled to raise your awareness of general safety in your home and on the roads.

General Safety

We have a smoke alarm and know how/when to check it (they save lives but only when they work)

Medicines are put away immediately after use and kept in a lockable medicine cabinet (we always remember to read the label and they are safely disposed of when their shelf life date has expired)

Living and Dining Room

Hot meals or drinks are always placed out of the reach of young children and pets (they can seriously scald if tipped over)

There are no trailing leads or damaged plugs (someone could trip up or get electrocuted)

Halls and Stairs

The hall and stairs are free from clutter (shoes, trainers, school bags, so no one falls down the stairs)

There is a safety chain fitted (it gives us time to check who is at the door before deciding whether to let them in or not)

Kitchen

All household cleaning chemicals are poisonous, so they are stored safely where younger children can't get to them (fit locks to cupboards that contain them and buy containers with child-proof tops)

We always wash our hands before eating or preparing food (food poisoning can kill)

Bathroom

A non-slip mat may be useful in the bath/shower (to prevent injuries from slipping over)

Razor blades are stored safely after use and out of reach of young children

Bedroom

Candles are treated with respect and lamps are used safely and never covered with material to dim the light (they could catch fire)

We try to encourage sleeping with our bedroom doors closed (to stop the smoke spreading into our rooms if there is a fire)

In the Garden

Where provided, ponds or pools are 'child safe' (toddlers have been known to drown in a puddle)

We make sure we wash our hands after playing in the garden (soil carries harmful organisms like tetanus and toxocara – which can cause blindness)

On the Road

Seat belts and child seats are always used for every person when travelling in a car (we are 90% less likely to be killed if we are

wearing properly fitted seat belts and the person in front has a better chance of survival as well)

Roads are always crossed safely **stop, look, listen and think** (of the 500 children and young people killed on Britain's roads in 1996 HALF of them were pedestrians)

Facts

- At least one person under 18 dies each week in a house fire.
- About 800 younger people are hurt in falls every day, many falls happen on the stairs.
- 37% of burns and scalds happen to the under five's and many more to young people.
- Once a fortnight one child under five dies from drowning – some in the bath.
- Every year 40,000 young people accidentally swallow pills and chemicals.
- Every year young people fall out of unlocked windows. Make sure they lock but can be unlocked in case of fire.
- Many accidents happen in the garden. Every year young people drown in ponds and pools.
- During 1996, 500 children and young people were killed on Britain's roads.



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Continuing our regular articles about the Council's finances, this edition we're looking at business rates, how these are calculated and what they pay for.

What are business rates?

Business rates, otherwise known as national non-domestic rates (NDR), is a tax on properties used as shops, factories and offices for example.

You may have to pay business rates if you use all or part of your property as something other than living accommodation. If your property is used for both domestic and non-domestic purposes part of it will be assessed for business rates and the other part for council tax, a pub is a good example of where this would apply.

How are business rates calculated?

All business properties have a rateable value, which is determined by the Valuation Office Agency. We calculate your bill by multiplying the rateable value of your property by a factor set by the Government (expressed as pence in the pound) which is known as the multiplier. We then apply any relief that you might be entitled to, and come up with a final figure for your bill.

What is the money spent on?

We collect business rates on behalf of the Government and the money collected is shared out to each local

authority depending on their population. This means that areas with very few businesses will not be disadvantaged. Business rates, together with council tax contribute to the costs of local services such as roads, police and the fire.

Want to know more?

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- www.voa.gov.uk
- www.bournemouth.gov.uk (debit card payments accepted online)
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- Call 01202 451558/451571 during office hours for business rate enquiries

FACTS

- We collect business rates for 5,600 business properties in the borough
- We collected £48.4 million in 2005/06
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THE BIG SPRING CLEAN

Working around the clock for a cleaner borough

We're leading the way in cleanliness as work continues on the 'big spring clean'. This is an annual event which helps to prepare the town for the huge influx of visitors through the summer months. This year we're paying extra attention to Old Christchurch Road, Horseshoe Common and St Peter's Road.

We're continuing to focus on keeping streets clean of unsightly chewing gum. It's notoriously difficult to lift from pavements and precincts but removal teams have been working through the night. Street furniture including benches, litter bins, planters, bollards and lampposts are being steam-cleaned as well.

Cllr John Hayter, Cabinet Member for Strategic Development and Transport said, "Cleaner streets is one of our service improvement priorities and we are proactive when it comes to keeping the borough clean and tidy. Last year we were recognised as a resort with clean streets as well as clean beaches by the environmental campaign 'Keep Britain Tidy'. To keep this status we will continue to carry out projects within the community to make sure our standards remain high for both residents and visitors."

Stop, don't drop!

In line with the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act we have set up an enforcement

team who will work seven days a week to deal with waste and litter enforcement issues and who will give fixed penalty notices to anyone found to be littering.



Working around the clock

Teams of people are working around the clock to keep the borough clean and tidy:

- 2am until 2pm – road sweepers
- 3am until 10am – coastal cleansing team
- 6am until 2pm – safe and clean team in Boscombe and Springbourne
- 5pm until 9.30pm – coastal cleansing team





TIP TOP BEACH

Keeping our beaches clean and tidy is a top priority all year round. We caught up with Tony Harris, Cleansing Supervisor to find out what his team do:

How does your day start?

“We start the day at 3am litter picking on the promenade and beach. Depending on the tide we can find all kinds of things that have been washed up and need removing. It’s such a lovely site when the sand has just been raked, it looks immaculate.”

Do people work throughout the day?

“Yes, we can have one shift of workers working from 3am until 10am and then another shift working from about 5pm until around 9.30pm. In addition to this we have a team working throughout the day, emptying the bins and picking up litter and just keeping an eye on rubbish.”

How many people keep the seafront clean?

“There are six of us employed full time throughout the year, however during the summer months we have to employ around 20 extra agency staff who are all dedicated to keeping the seafront looking spotless.”

What’s the best thing about your job?

“Working on the seafront in the summer has to be a benefit for anybody. The best part of the job is seeing Bournemouth being awarded for its clean beaches because we know that we have contributed to this.”

And the worst?

“Dealing with those who just don’t care. It’s rewarding to see the seafront at sunrise however it’s a totally different sight when the sun sets and people have left a mountain of rubbish behind. It’s the same feeling that you get when you’ve just cleaned your house and someone walks in with dirty shoes on!”

Safe and Clean teams were set up near the end of last year to deal with fly tipping, rubbish, vandalism and graffiti in particular. A four man team work across Boscombe and Springbourne to ensure that it is kept clean and tidy. We had a chat with Danny, Andy, Leon and John:

Tell us what is involved in your job?

“We are a small team of four who go around Boscombe and Springbourne collecting bulky goods that people have dumped. We collect all kinds of abandoned items such as fridges, washing machines, beds, sofas, televisions and more!”

What is the response time?

“We have a 24 hour response rate to calls but when we have an emergency call out we respond immediately, this is usually when we get a report that needles have been dumped.”

What’s the best thing about your job?

“It’s a rewarding job – you can actually see the difference that we’ve made over the last six months.”

And the worst?

“Handling needles has to be the worst thing but we’re trained to do this and at least it means they’re not left on the street.”

- The chewing gum removal programme will cover 17,000 square metres.
- We removed 1.8 million pieces of chewing gum from Bournemouth and Boscombe precincts last year.
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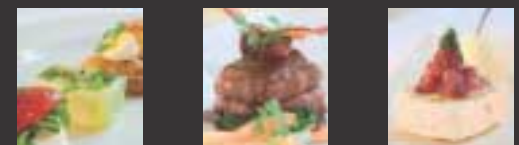
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We've been chatting to young people aged 13-15 in the area to find out what they want from a website run by us, and we've come up with The Zone.

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SELF HARM BOOKLET LAUNCHED

Over recent years there has been a rise in the levels of self-harm in young people. However, many people don't know where to go to get help and support. For this reason The Self Harm Action Group was set up and they recently launched 'The Little Book of Self Harm' at The K Bar. This was perfect timing as it was also National Self Injury Day which aims to raise awareness of this issue and the ways that you can get help.

The book is aimed at young people who are self harmers as well as those who just want to know more about the subject. It covers why people self harm, gives a real life story and offers some helpful tips and advice to try

and cope. It also provides some interesting facts and figures such as:

- Most of the females that self harm are aged between 14 and 19 years
- Males that self harm tend to be aged 17-25
- People self harm to relieve tension, because they are angry, to punish themselves, because they feel out of control and for many other reasons
- Four times more females than males self harm

Zoe aged 14 says, "Self harm could affect us all on some level. As people we have the ability to punish ourselves and numb our feelings."

The young people involved in this project took responsibility for different aspects of the booklet including researching information, designing, fund-raising and finally distribution.

If you want to get your hands on a copy call Natalie or Claire on 729126 or email tyc@bournemouth.gov.uk



AREA FOCUS ON LITLEDOWN

Littledown is unique in that it's one of the newest but also one of the oldest parts of Bournemouth. Originally it was a small settlement to the south of the much more important Holdenhurst Village, and for centuries it existed as a huddle of farm buildings clinging on to the edge of the heathland.

Amongst this ancient landscape, most of the housing that makes up Littledown is less than 20 years old. The buildings at the JPMorgan site and Royal Bournemouth Hospital are of a similar age, but in Riverside Avenue there is a mid-20th century home for retired nurses, and even older is Littledown House, which dates back to the late 18th century.

For most of the 20th century, Littledown remained an isolated farming community on the northern edge of Bournemouth, with Mr Joseph Edward Cooper-Dean living in Littledown House. Within living memory, Littledown used to be an area of open fields but by this

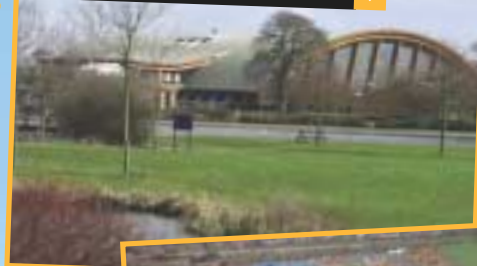
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time, the Cooper-Dean family story was drawing to an end. The only descendants were two spinster sisters and Littledown House, with the surrounding farmland, was sold to Bournemouth Council in the early 1980s. There was a lot of discussion as to what the Council would do with the area but eventually much of the land was sold off for housing. A large section was set by for a park and a sports centre and it's now the ever popular Littledown Leisure Centre.

Littledown House, a listed building, survives and has recently been restored to the elegance it would have displayed in the late 18th century, when it would have been a classic Jane Austen type mansion. With all the new buildings that now cover Littledown, it can be difficult to imagine it as farmland, but drivers on the Spur Road can look out for a set of warning lights near to the back of the hospital site. When the Spur Road was first built, it cut off the Cooper Dean land at Littledown from their farms at Holdenhurst. One of the concessions to the family was that the road was built with a cattle crossing. No one seems to recall it ever being used, however the old agreement remains in force, so if one of your colleagues turns up late to work one day because of cows on the Spur Road, they could well be telling the truth!

LITLEDOWN HOUSE

LITLEDOWN SPORTS CENTRE



There's more to libraries than books



We've moved away from book news and reviews this edition to take a look at what else is available in your local library. If you haven't visited a library for a few years you'll be surprised at our range of DVDs, videos and CDs.

Library members can hire our 'top title' DVDs for £3 for three days and other DVDs in their first six months after release are £3 for a whole week. Less recent DVDs cost just £1.70 for a week. Among our current 'top titles' are Wallace and Gromit and the Curse of the Were-Rabbit, Bewitched, In Her Shoes, Nanny McPhee and many more. If you still rely on videos, we've got a wide range of these to choose from too.



If you like listening to music, our CD collection covers almost everything from Faure to Franz Ferdinand and Elgar to Eminem, as well as most things in between. For jazz lovers we've got a special collection at Bournemouth Library. CDs can be hired for only 95p for a week.

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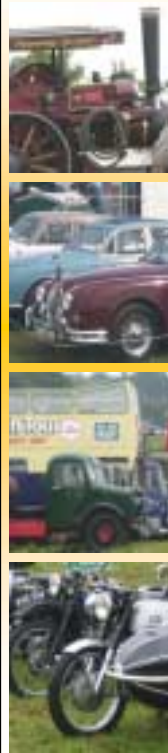
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YOUR LETTERS – PHONE MASTS

**Q ROBERT
FROM SOUTHBOURNE**

“I’m angry that the Council is letting phone masts go up around Bournemouth without planning permission, such as the Vodafone mast in Fisherman’s Avenue. Why are you allowing this to happen?”

A: The Government has allowed phone masts up to 15 metres tall to be erected without full planning permission and this is called Prior Approval Consent. In these cases the Local Planning Authority can only refuse masts and equipment on grounds of siting and appearance. If we’re unhappy then we have 56 days from when consent was sought to notify the company. We considered the Vodafone proposal and concluded that it

was unacceptable. An error in the notification letter that Prior Approval was refused has allowed Vodafone to exploit a ‘loophole’ in the procedure and erect the proposed mast despite documented opposition from us and the local community. Our internal processes have been tightened to ensure this doesn’t happen again.

**Q SALLY-ANN
FROM STROUDEN PARK**

“I have three young children and I’m worried about the effects that phone masts have on my family’s health. The Council needs to listen to public concern and protect us from this dangerous equipment.”

A: Concerns about health risks of phone masts is not something the Council is allowed to take into

account when considering any planning applications or Prior Approval Consents. However, we do check that applicants have the appropriate health certificates.



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A selection of what's going on in the borough shows, events, meetings AND more...

May

- 14 Queen's Park History Day from 3pm – meet at the pond
- 20–21 Bournemouth Natural Science Society 'entertainment exhibition' 10.30am–4.30pm at 39 Christchurch Road
- 23 Paul Merton and Chums, Pavilion
- 27 The Chart Tribute Show, Pavilion
- 28 That'll Be The Day Bank Holiday Special, Pavilion
- 28 Urban Heaths Partnership, self guided tours around Bournemouth and Poole*
- 30 G4 plus support, BIC
- 31 Girls Aloud, BIC

June

- 4 The Ugly Duckling, Pavilion
- 6–7 The 'World Famous' Lipizzaner Stallions, BIC
- 6–8 What A Feeling, Pavilion
- 13 'Last Night of the Boscombe Proms' St Clements Church, Boscombe 7.30pm, £4
- 15 Urban Heaths Partnership free event, dusk at Turbary Common 6.30–8pm*
- 17 Coda Fiddle Orchestra, St Clements Church, Boscombe 11.30am, free
- 20 'The French virtuoso violin' St Clements Church, Boscombe, £6
- 24–28 Bournemouth Live! Music Festival see page 18 for more details
- 25 Picnic in the Park, Queen's Park from 1pm
- 28 Bob Dylan, BIC
- 29 George Benson in Concert, BIC

*For information on Urban Heath Partnership events call 579132 for more details.

Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum

Don't forget that there's a wide range of exhibitions at Russell-Cotes including 'celebrating the sea' until 25 June and 'Well hammered – the art of Japanese metal work' until 2007.

Council Meetings, Inquiries, Area Forums

May

- 10 Boscombe Area Forum at Boscombe Children's Centre 7pm
- 11 Caring for People Scrutiny Panel 6pm
- 15 Planning Board 5pm
- 17 Cabinet 7pm
- 18 Queen's Park and Charminster Area Forum, Golf Club House 10.30am
- 26 Annual Council, Pavilion 11.15am
- 30 Health Scrutiny Panel 2pm

June

- 6 Council 7pm
- 7 Cabinet 7pm
- 15 Queen's Park and Charminster Area Forum, Nortoft Road Day Centre 7.30pm
- 15 Throop, Muscliff, Strouden, Townsend and Holdenhurst Area Forum at Bournemouth School for Girls 7pm
- 20 Licensing Board 9.45am
- 28 Cabinet 7pm
- 29 Quality Services and Value for Money Scrutiny Panel 7pm
- 29 Southbourne Area Forum at Immanuel Church 7.30pm

July

- 5 Sustaining our Environment Scrutiny Panel 6pm
- 6 Education and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Panel 5pm

Information correct at time of going to print. Before making your journey please check that the details have not changed. For more details on these events please contact the following:

- To book shows and events at the Pier Theatre, Pavilion Theatre and BIC contact the Box Office on 0870 111 3000 – www.bic.co.uk
- For general event information, Visitor Information Bureau on 451700 or www.bournemouth.co.uk
- For more information about Planning hearings/public inquiries contact Planning & Transport on 451193.
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Noise can cause disruption and distress to everyone – at home, work, study or play. But in the modern world our ability to make noise is greater than ever! Nearly a third of people in Britain are annoyed by neighbour noise, and for 14% it has an impact on quality of life. Roughly half of noisemakers claim to be unaware they are making a noise that is causing a disturbance.

Noise Action Week starts on 22 May and aims to raise awareness of unwanted noise and the importance of being considerate towards others. What better way to celebrate (quietly) than by being a good neighbour!

Find more details on dealing with noise at www.bournemouth.gov.uk or find out more about Noise Action Week at www.noiseactionweek.org.uk



YOU SAID...

Jacqui

"I always try to be considerate to my neighbours. We're friends so it makes life a lot easier."

Gavin

"Any kind of noise that is continuous and monotonous irritates me; drilling or banging in particular."



Michele

"I haven't had any problem with noisy neighbours really, but it does annoy me when they slam doors. I don't understand why people need to slam doors all the time!"

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