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WHO DOES WHAT?

Information and help can be obtained on the following matters by calling the appropriate authority.

BTC Belper Town Council	01773 822116	DCC Derbyshire County Council	01629 580000
AVBC Amber Valley Borough Council	01773 570222	FH Futures Homescape	01773 573100

Building Regulations	AVBC	Farmers' Market	BTC	Refuse Collection	AVBC
Bus Shelters	AVBC	Fairs	BTC	Registration of Births,	AVBC
Cemeteries	AVBC	Grit Bins	BTC/AVBC	Marriages & Deaths	AVBC
Channels	AVBC	Highways &		Register of Electors	AVBC
Christmas Lights	BTC	Footpath Gritting	DCC	Remembrance Day	
Clubs & Organisations	AVBC/BTC	Housing	FH	Service & Parade	BTC
Council Tax	AVBC	Housing Benefit	AVBC	Showground	AVBC
Concessionary Fares	AVBC	Libraries	DCC	Social Services	DCC
Dog Wardens	AVBC	Memorial Gardens	BTC	Street Cleaning	AVBC
Education	AVBC/DCC	Parks/Recreation Grounds	AVBC	Street Lighting	DCC
Entertainment Programme	AVBC/BTC	Planning Matters	AVBC	Trading Standards	DCC
Environmental Health	AVBC	Public Footpaths	AVBC/DCC	War Memorials	BTC/AVBC

FLOODLINE: 0345 988 1188 (24/7 information & automated helpline)

Local Environment Agency Office

River Derwent Flooding/issues

0203 025 3167 (Ask for Flood Resilience Team)

Out of hours INCIDENT HOTLINE

0800 80 70 60 (Ask for Derbyshire Flood Warning Duty Officer)

Derbyshire County Council

Coppice Brook flooding/issues, surface water and reservoir

flooding, emergencies, & highway drain management

01629 538364 Emergency planning team

01629 538563 Highways & flood risk management team

01629 533190 General enquiries



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23 APRIL ST GEORGE'S DAY

Belper Town Council will remember St George, England's Patron Saint by flying the flag in the Memorial Gardens and at Milford Triangle.

If you would like to commemorate St George, the Council are offering a 3ft x 2ft St George flag at £5 each and ten metre lengths of red and white bunting are also available from the Council offices at a cost of £8 each.

On Sunday 28th April, Belper District Scouts and Guides will celebrate St. George's Day with church services and parades through Belper town centre.

There will be two services. The junior sections - Beavers, Cubs, Rainbows and Brownies - will hold their service at St Peter's Church starting at 2:15pm. The senior sections - Scouts, Guides, Explorers and Rangers - will hold their service at Christ Church starting at 2pm.

The services will last approximately 45 minutes and will be followed by the parade which will pass the Saluting Base at the Memorial Gardens in King Street, Belper at around 3:15pm. The salute is received by the Scout and Guide District Commissioners and local dignitaries from the Borough, Town and local Parish Councils. In previous years our local MPs have also attended.

The parade will be accompanied by two marching bands and will march from Christ Church with the older children to St Peter's to pick up the younger children and then march down King Street. The event is attended by hundreds of scouts and guides from Belper, Duffield, Holbrook, Horsley, Kilburn, Openwoodgate and Heage. The scouts and guides are very enthusiastic, and this will be a great event to share in the patriotic pride. Unfortunately, the services are not open to the general public as there is insufficient space in the Churches.

PROCTORS SPRING FUN FAIR 25-27 APRIL



COPPIC CAR PARK
Thursday 25 April 6-10pm
Friday 26 April 6-10pm
Saturday 27 April 2-10pm



RUGBY CLUB 31st MAY, 1 & 2 JUNE

31 May, 6pm Beer Festival
1 & 2 June, 11am onwards

ECO ADVICE ACTIVITIES
LIVE MUSIC SOLAR POWERED
STAGES FOOD CAMPAIGNS CRAFTS
WELL-BEING HOME ENERGY BIKES
TRAVEL TRANSPORT PLANTS
KID'S AREA LOTS OF STALLS
CAMPING CAMRA BEER FESTIVAL
AND LOTS MORE!

Belper Arts Festival

4 MAY to 1 JUNE 2019

The community based festival will include literature, art, theatre, film, photography, dance and music at venues throughout Belper.

Highlights include - 4 May, "Bedazzled by Broadway", 1 June, John Tams will be performing a concert with all proceedings going towards the "Sacrifice" monument.

It is a festival of inclusivity, not exclusivity and everyone is welcome to take part. Carers will be admitted for free.

For more information visit their website belperartsfestival.org

5 & 6 MAY

With over 120 artists and 60 venues, the Belper Arts Trail returns. Entry to this year's Trail will be £3 per person which will enable you to enter every venue.

Before the Trail dates, you can pay at Time and Again and Nourish on King Street, and at Fleet Arts on The Fleet. On the two days of the trail they can be bought on the Market Place, in The Memorial Gardens and other selected venues.

Arts Trail Guides contain a map identifying venues and artists as well as times of events during the two days of the trail.

For more information about the Trail and its other activities please go to the website

10.30am to 4.30pm

belperarts.org

17-19 MAY WOOLLEN WOODS

Visit Belper Parks Woods to see it transformed by knitted creatures.

FREE EVENT

18 MAY 10am to 4pm

In addition at Number 28 there will be a Cafe for drinks and snacks, craft activities to join in with and storytelling, which will introduce the story of Millie the Mouse from Belper North Mill. Adrian Farmer will hold a family talk and walk about the woods and the Deer Park. There will be information about the Vikings in Belper and music from the Lords of Valhalla.



25-27 MAY BELPER OPEN HOUSES

Sat 25 & Sun 26 May 10.30am to 4.30pm, Mon 27 May 10.30am to 4pm

Now in its ninth year, Belper Artists and Makers open their houses and studios across the Town. There's lots to see for all of the family! Look out for the black and white bunting and balloons!

More details and to download the guide see belperopenhouses.com

GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN LITTER PICK SATURDAY 30 MARCH

Come and join the Town Council and voluntary organisations on a community litter pick - part of the Keep Britain Tidy's Great British Spring Clean month.

Further details available from belpertowncouncil.gov.uk and the Council's Notice Boards nearer the time.



BELPER IN BLOOM AND TWINNING

This year the town celebrates the 25th anniversary of its twinning with Pawtucket, Rhode Island, U.S.A. The theme for this year's bloom entry is Twinning. The town is aiming for its tenth Gold in a row in the RHS East Midlands in Bloom Competition. If you are interested in joining the 'In Bloom' Committee to help with the town's entry, then please contact the Town Council on 01773 822116 or email: admin@belpertowncouncil.gov.uk

The Council will be running its annual Belper in Bloom competition in the summer - for best residential front garden, best commercial premises, best community garden and best hanging basket. As usual, entry forms will be available on the Council's website from June onwards.

CENTENARIAN BOARD

The Council is planning to create a centenarian board in the Heritage Centre to commemorate Belper residents that have reached 100 years old since 2000. If you have or have had a relation that is or has reached 100 years of age or above, then please contact the Council with the details and proof so that the centenarian's name can be added to the board.

FLOOD WARDENS

The Town Council is preparing a Flood Plan to cover Belper and Milford. Further details can be obtained at <https://www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk/flooding.html>

The Council is asking for voluntary Flood Wardens to assist with the making of the plan and to keep an eye on the rivers, streams and potentials for flooding in their area. If you are interested - please contact the Town Clerk on 01773 822116.

Who to contact with flooding concerns is complicated - so we've updated the back page of the Newsletter to assist you.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FOR BELPER



We have hopes that this year will finally see the delivery of the Neighbourhood Plan.

The final independent report - the Strategic Environmental Assessment should be received and integrated into the draft report by mid March. This will

be published on the Town Council website.

The six week public consultation on the draft will start on Thursday 21 March 2019 and it will run to Friday 3 May 2019. The draft will be available from the Council web site www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk

We then have to rely on Amber Valley BC for the next part of the process culminating in the document being submitted to an independent examiner for report by October. The final document should be ready for referendum in November 2019.



Celebrating Belper

For more events visit www.belpercelebration.co.uk

Your guide to some of the coming highlights during 2019

Wednesday 3 April

7.30pm Belper Historical Society talk at Strutts Community Centre
Trevor Griffin on Early Road Travel in the Derwent Valley. £3 for visitors, members free. For details, contact 01773 822383.

Saturday 6 April

10am to 3pm Belper Bicycle Club Fundraiser at No.28 Market Place
Free event with cafe and cycle jumble.

Saturday 6 April

7.30pm Concert: Rouse Ye Women at Belper Congregational Church
Free event with traditional songs and ballads. Townsend Theatre Productions tell the story of Mary Macarthur.

Saturday 13 April

8.30am to 1pm Monthly Market on Belper Market Place
Locally grown and made produce. Café and crafts at No.28. www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk

Wednesday 17 April

6pm to 7.30pm Accessible Belper at the Strutts Centre, Derby Road
Come and contribute to the award winning work. Visit www.accessiblebelper.org or call Siobhan on 01773 826477 for details.

Thursday 25 to Saturday 27 April

Belper's Spring Fair on Market Place and Coppice
Rides and sideshows. Opens 6pm Thursday.

Thursday 25 April

6pm Freedom Feed 'Em Vegan Community Meal at No.28 Market Place
Pay what you feel. Booking essential on 07519 899140. Bring your own drinks.

Saturday 27 April

10am to 1pm Green Exchange and Cafe at No.28 Market Place
Run by Transition Belper.

Sunday 28 April

2pm Walk: Into the Depths!
A country walk to the Depth O' Lumb. Starts at Strutt's North Mill (DE56 1YD). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Wednesday 1 May

7.30pm Belper Historical Society talk at Strutts Community Centre
Adrian Farmer on Belper's Earliest Photographers. £3 for visitors, members free. For details, contact 01773 822383.



Saturday 4 May to Saturday 1 June Belper Arts Festival

A full month of music, art, theatre, comedy, workshops, creativity, Woollen Woods and so much more. Special events for Dementia Awareness Week and the launch of Voices Of The Valley. www.belperartsfestival.org

Sunday 5 May and Monday 6 May

Belper Arts Trail in Belper Town Centre
Over 100 artists in nearly 60 venues, with live music, food and drink stalls and children's entertainment on the Memorial Gardens. Plus Captain Dan returns to The Ritz and look out for an 'old Belper' photo trail. Details at www.belperarts.org or info@belperarts.org

Sunday 5 May

2pm Walk: Milford Heritage at Risk
A look at some of Milford's historic buildings. Start: Soi Kitchens car park, Milford (DE56 0QW). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Wednesday 8 May

7.30pm Language Soiree at No.28 Market Place
Enjoy trying out your language skills at an informal social evening - see the twentyeightbelper Facebook page for details.

Saturday 11 May

8.30am to 1pm Monthly Market on Belper Market Place
Locally grown and made produce. Café and crafts with Rosalind Bliss exhibition launch at No.28. www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk

Sunday 12 May

2pm Walk: Pinchom's Hill and Bargate
New walk via the deer park. Starts at Market Place, Belper (DE56 1FZ). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Saturday 18 May

10am to 4pm Introduction to Belper Woollen Woods at No.28 Market Place
Celebrating the first day of woollen installations in Belper Parks. Free entry. Craft demonstrations with Viking re-enactors and family crafts all through the day. Cafe for St Peter's Community Garden and music from Lords of Valhalla. Two story-telling sessions featuring Strutt's North Mill's Millie the Mouse at 11am and 1pm. At 2pm, a short talk about the Parks followed by a Belper story walk in the woods with Adrian Farmer (Adults £5, children free, for Strutt's North Mill funds).

Sunday 19 May

1pm to 4pm An afternoon at Strutt House in Belper Mill Complex.
Free event. Pop up performances and Derby Museums' Makory on site. Free entry to Strutt's North Mill museum. Tours on request for a donation. www.belpernorthmill.org

Sunday 19 May

11am Walk: Forgotten roads of Belper and Milford
A 6 mile, 4 hour walk with lunch stop. Starts at Strutt's North Mill (DE56 1YD). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Thursday 23 May

6pm Freedom Feed 'Em Vegan Community Meal at No.28 Market Place
Pay what you feel. Booking essential on 07519 899140. Bring your own drinks.

Sunday 26 May

2pm Walk: A stroll in the River Gardens
A walk in Belper's 'Jewel in the Crown'. Starts at Strutt's North Mill (DE56 1YD). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Friday 31 May to Sunday 2 June

6pm (Friday), 11am to 5pm (Saturday, Sunday) Belper Goes Green at the Rugby Club, Derby Road
Transition Belper's ECO Festival. Sharing low carbon and environmentally friendly ways of doing things in a relaxed way that puts a smile on the face of Belper. Includes stalls and family activities, CAMRA beer festival and live music. Adults: £2 / Transition Belper members and children free. More information at www.transitionbelper.org

Saturday 1 June

12 noon to 3pm Whitemoor Summer Fair at Whitemoor Day Centre
100 John O'Gaunt's Way, Belper DE56 0DB. Raising funds for the Centre's Amenity Fund. whitemoor@derbyshire.gov.uk

Sunday 2 June

2pm to 4pm Larks in the Park at Belper Memorial Gardens
Change of venue for 2019. Concert with Belper Town Wind Band. Free entry. Bring a rug or chair and a picnic.



Saturday 8 June

8.30am to 1pm Monthly Market on Belper Market Place
Locally grown and made produce. Café and crafts at No.28. www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk

Sunday 9 June

2pm Walk: Bridge Hill House and Grounds
Discover what survives of a lost Strutt house, including remains of the observatory. Starts at Strutt's North Mill (DE56 1YD). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Sunday 9 June

2pm to 4pm Larks in the Park at Belper Memorial Gardens
Change of venue for 2019. Concert with Heage Band. Free entry. Bring a rug or chair and a picnic.

Wednesday 12 June

10.30am or 5.45pm Disability Awareness and Dementia Friends Sessions
Free training from Accessible Belper, open to all. Booking essential on 01773 826477 or email info@accessiblebelper.org.uk.

Sunday 16 June

2pm to 4pm Larks in the Park at Belper Memorial Gardens
Change of venue for 2019. Fun for children - clown, bouncy castle, roundabout and coconut shy. Free entry.

Saturday 22 June

10am to 1pm Green Exchange and Cafe at No.28 Market Place
Run by Transition Belper.

Sunday 23 June

2pm Walk: Ambergate to Belper
Catching the 14:08 train to Ambergate then walking back through the Derwent Valley. Starts at Belper Station, off Field Lane car park. £5 per person (plus cost of train fare). Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Sunday 23 June

2pm to 4pm Larks in the Park at Belper Memorial Gardens
Change of venue for 2019. Concert with Bestwood Black Diamonds. Free entry.

Thursday 27 June

6pm Freedom Feed 'Em Vegan Community Meal at No.28 Market Place
Pay what you feel. Booking essential on 07519 899140. Bring your own drinks.

Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 June

11am to 4pm Belper Open Gardens
Visit over 20 gardens in Belper. Refreshments, plant sales and entertainment. Tickets from Fresh Basil. Details from Kathy Fairweather on 0777 941 2702.

Sunday 30 June

2pm Walk: Pubs, Parks and Peculiarities
Discover pubs lost and stories of those still with us, plus other Belper tales. Starts at Market Place, Belper (DE56 1FZ). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Sunday 30 June

2pm to 4pm Larks in the Park at Belper River Gardens
Concert with Belper Musical Theatre and Alfreton Male Voice Choir. Free entry.



Sunday 7 July

10am to 4pm Summer Food, Drink and Craft Festival on King Street, Memorial Gardens, Strutt St and Campbell St
Free entry. Over 100 stalls, live music and beer festival. Slow Shopping from 9.30am. Free car parking at Coppice Car Park, Strutt Centre and Babington Hospital. Details at www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk.

Sunday 7 July

2pm Walk: The Strutt Farms
A walk to Dalley Farm, to hear about the Strutt family's agricultural experiments, returning via Crossroads Farm. Starts at Strutt's North Mill (DE56 1YD). £5 per person. Book at www.belpernorthmill.org

Saturday 13 July

8.30am to 1pm Monthly Market on Belper Market Place
Also town councillors' surgery stall. Locally grown and made produce. Café and crafts at No.28. www.belpertowncouncil.gov.uk

Belper charities and non-profit making groups wishing to promote fund-raising events can submit a brief entry for this diary by e-mailing info@derwentvalleymills.org. A place in the next newsletter diary cannot be guaranteed but we will try to include as many as we can.