

Tilehurst Globe Newsletter 2017

What is coming up in 2017 - a year of change

Tilehurst library to have reduced hours

Tilehurst Library has been saved from closure, but will have substantially reduced opening hours.

Local Plan

An updated version of the Reading Local Plan to 2036 will be ready before the summer. Watch for the consultation period and make sure you have your say. *(See more information on inside page.)*

Will the annual clear up continue?

For many years Reading Council has organised a clear up in our town. Tilehurst Globe has participated in the clear up in and around Tilehurst. It is possible that this year we can continue to do this under the Adopt a Street scheme. Watch out for details. Whatever happens the dates and arrangements will probably be different from what we are used to.

Reading Council Cuts

In order to save money, Reading Borough Council will not support us with a grant after 31st March. We will need to find other ways of funding our activities. This will almost certainly mean that some things may be done a bit differently from now on.

We are very grateful to the local businesses who continue to give us their support and to the people who keep coming up with new ideas to improve life in Tilehurst. We want to hear your ideas - together we can make them happen.



See us on Facebook
thanks to Lynda Chater.

Our Litter Teams

These are volunteers who give their time to clear up rubbish, helping make Tilehurst a nicer place to live in. You could help by adopting a space to keep tidy or you could help our current volunteers. Ask how you can join us.

We have speakers at our monthly meetings

Last year we had a number of speakers leading discussions about a variety of subjects. We will invite more speakers during 2017 to keep us up-to-date with matters that affect us in Tilehurst and welcome ideas for topics.

A new six-week consultation planned to start in April 2017 will ask people to comment on the new draft revised Reading Local Plan. This will include broad issues, where new houses should go and which sites should be protected as Green Space. We have invited a speaker from Reading Council to our April meeting to explain all this. Please come. Keep up-to-date by looking at Facebook and watch out for our posters. More importantly, make sure you have your say.

The Tilehurst Memories Project

During 2016, we have added more recollections to the Tilehurst Memories Website:

www.tilehurstmemories.org.uk

You will find there the original memories that were published in the Memories of Tilehurst booklet and also photos and lots of other recollections from people from round and about. We keep adding memories of Tilehurst in the past. We want **your** stories too! Contact us to tell us your memories and share your photos.

Our Leaflets

We have produced 5 leaflets describing Circular Walks in Tilehurst and a leaflet about the Drinking Fountains and Cattle Troughs in Tilehurst.

The Memories booklet and all our leaflets are free for you to pick up from Tilehurst Library.

Tilehurst Globe

Your local community group



What we did in 2016:

- Continued to work with Reading Council to ensure that our local parks are looked after properly for the benefit of everyone
- Kept the troughs by the Water Tower and by Arthur Newbery Park planted with flowers and bulbs
- Planted more spring flowers in and around central Tilehurst
- Held meetings on a regular basis to encourage people to air their views about local issues
- Made it easier for people to learn about their surroundings and take a pride in our heritage
- Continued to promote our local businesses and to encourage people to shop locally
- Liaised with other groups (for example, Nature Nurture, residents' associations and the Reading Tree Warden Network) and worked with our local schools
- Participated in Reading's Clean for the Queen activities by clearing up our local woodlands over a weekend in March
- Put even more Christmas lights up on the tree at the Triangle
- Provided handy containers for you to recycle your used batteries
- Our litter teams continued to tidy up local black spots

What we will do in 2017:

We very much hope to continue to do these tasks and activities. The way we operate may be different but we will still work towards making Tilehurst a better place to live and work.



Keep recycling your **used domestic batteries**

Butts Supernews, 72 School Road





C & G Hardware, 27 School Road

Today's Local, Butts, 4 Park Lane

And at **Tilehurst Library**



TILEHURST GLOBE CALENDAR 2017

-  Public Holidays
-  Outdoor event (look out for posters for this and other events)
-  Stalls at local shows
-  Meetings usually 7.30 - 9.00 pm

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carcontacts

**Triangle
Dental
Practice**

C&G

The Village Butchers



Follow us on Facebook and check our our website regularly to see what we are doing - and have your say. Also look out for posters displayed on our board and in shop windows, businesses, and the library with details of our meetings and events. Make sure we have your email address.



Go Local On a Better Environment

Tilehurst Residents and Businesses working together

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