

Saffron Walden Town Meeting 2023

Highlights from the past year







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"Stimulating and enjoyable activities for the children. Excellent value.

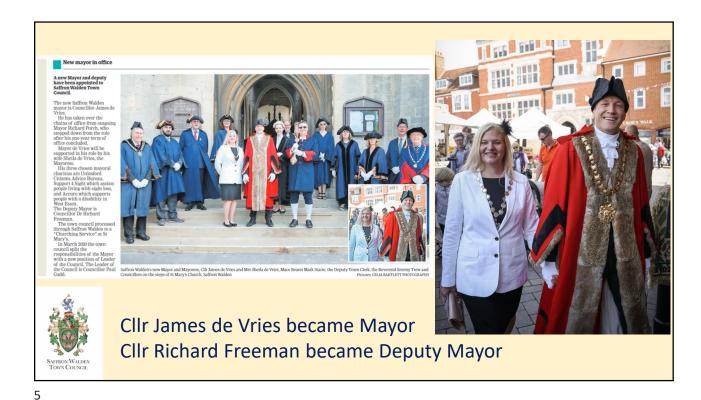
Very well organized, nice material for crafts and lovely people

Everyone was very helpful. Thank you."









The Platinum Jubilee Preparations were well underway....
Making front page news!





Grant funding received
Beach opening with Pure Rhythm













"Our heartfelt thanks for such a lovely idea for the kids! We had a great time, thank you Beach was great to have , lots of family's using it. Keep it For the summer"







ITV National News filmed on the Common!



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"Fantastic initiative - kids had a great time! Thank you so much

Its not often there are free things for children to do.

We had an absolutely fabulous time. It is great that all children and young adults are included for both able children and those with a disability."





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TOWN COUNCIL BUYS ICONIC BANK BUILDING FOR £550,000

Saffron Walden Town Council is delighted to announce it has completed the purchase of the former Nat West Bank building.

This iconic building has stood empty for several years and its purchase will bring a historic and important building back into use, adding to the vibrancy and retail offer in town.



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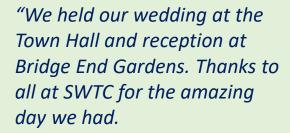








Table 3: Income from Weddings	
Bridge End Garden Weddings	Town Hall Weddings
2017/18 Income £960	2017/18 Income £198
2018/19 Income £4240	2018/19 Income £2497
2019/20 Income £3600	2019/20 income £475
2020/21 Income £1,800	2020/21 income £1550
2021/22 Income £1,800	2021/22 Income £6961
2022/23 year to date Income £10,400	2022/23 year to date Income £9619
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The gardens are stunning and a credit to the team behind it. We could not have made the day that special without the staff. They are a credit to SWTC, you should be proud of them."



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Table 6: Market Income		
Year	Market income	
2017/18	£74,967	
2018/19	£81,321	
2019/20	£84,226	
2020/21	£48,368	
2021/22	£83,795	
2022/23 to date	£49,659 actual year to date	
	£47,841 anticipated income to year end	
	£97,500 anticipated total annual income	

"The market was incredibly well organised, they felt that it is one of the the think the most professional markets they have Town Council's Terry is voted ever been too, they felt that everyone Market Manager of the Year who attended had a lot of empathy for their charities and they would both love to come back."







Fine art pottery

Sattron Good vase in 2021 Sattron wateren rounsit Information Centre is again working with Mocercoft fine art pottery to create a new design called 'Christmas in the Square'. The design is inspired by the square in Saffron Walden with some quirky artistic licence and wobbly

Mooreroft Director David Johanon said: "As a seriadent of Saffron Walden nyedt when I saw the first piece off the kiln the Town Hall and other landmarks in and around the square were instantly recognisable." The vase is currently available to pre-order at £725 with orders being taken at the TIC and or online at www.visittsffronvalden.gov.uk

New book highlights '50 Treasures of Essex'



 Rachel Hewlett and Mark Starte of Saffro Walden Tourist Information Centre. (Photo: Kevin Sporle.) A NEW guide book '50 Treasures of Essex' has just been published under the auspices of the Essex Arts Society and is on sale at Saffron Walden Tourist Information Centre. Ten arts societies from around Essex contributed to it and Saffron Walden was one of them.

Said a spokesman for Arts Society Saffron Walden:
"It is a particularly interesting guide in that its aim is
to highlight some of the more hidden treasures of our
region, those which do not feature large in the existing

"Readers of this article will probably already be familiar with the treasures of this locality but in the wider Essex area how many people know about the Marconi Titanie Radio Room in Chelmsfort, Arss Centre Toilets in Colchester, Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge in Epping, the Plume Librave Maries or the Tithe Barn Museum of Nostales in University and the the Tithe Barn Museum of Nostales in University in the Con-

"The book is available at a special price to members at the monthly meetings of the Arts Society Saffron Walden and can be obtained by contacting a committee member.

But no-one has to miss out as this new an interesting book is also available at the Saffror Walden Tourist Information Centre.

"Huge thanks from a member of the public who 'absolutely loves' the wildflower planter on the corner of Market Street/Market Place; she loves to stand and watch the bees that the flowers are attracting. She praised the introduction of a little wildlife haven right in the centre of town."



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"Thank you for arranging a free event. Its not often there are free things for children to do. You have catered for all ages. Great attention to detail."





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Town Council signs national pledge of 'Civility and Respect'

Council lifting the lid on the menopause

her A WELLBEING over 40' event was a sheld in Saffron Walden to mark world Menopause Day. The event was hosted by Saffron Walden Town Council, which has recently adopted a policy on the menopause and guidelines for employees and managers. The theme for World Menopause Day this year was 'cognition and mood', and the evening aimed to raise awareness and promote a positive message to lift the taboo around the menopause. positive message to lift the taboo around the menopause. Guest speaker Professor Joyce Harper, who is head of reproductive science at the Institute for Women's Health at University College London presented information and discussion on nutrition, exercise, sleep and mental wellbeing, with a talk focusing on demystifying the menopause.



ALL SMILES: An event was held in Saffron Walden to mark World Menopause Day

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Town remembers fallen































SWTC re-launched its small grants scheme and has awarded £12,819 to local community groups so far this year



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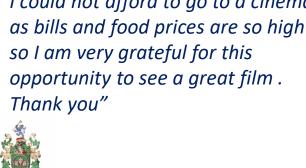
Commonwealth War
Graves donated a tree
to Radwinter Road
Cemetery to mark The
Queen's Green
Canopy project as part
of The Platinum
Jubilee, being the only
donated tree in Essex





"Free Pop Up Cinema was such a lovely experience!

I could not afford to go to a cinema as bills and food prices are so high opportunity to see a great film.





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Table 4: Income from The Common and other Public Open Spaces

SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN COUNCIL

Other Open Spaces
£14,399
£16,980
£10,872
£5,578
£9,865
2022 to October - £28,750

We have reached full capacity for the Town Hall and this year has seen a significant increase in activity in the Town Hall including theatre, comedy, music, meetings and holiday entertainment sessions. We were lucky enough to be the venue chosen to host the Walled Kitchen Garden Networks annual general meeting.

£52,000 anticipated total annual income

Table 2: Town Hall income as a whole

Year	Town Hall Income
2017/18	£19,943
2018/19	£36,363
2019/20	£35,696
2020/21	£3,766 (impact of Covid)
2021/22	£31,282
2022/23 to date (October 2022)	£26,661 actual year to date
	£25,339 anticipated income to year end



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