

SHINFIELD NORTH COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME FROM YOUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TEAM

Welcome to the first quarterly newsletter from Shabina Maher and Joyce Stoner, Community Engagement Officers for Shinfield and the surrounding areas. We will be publishing these newsletters working in partnership with Shinfield Parish Council and using them to share updates about regular activities and upcoming events that may be of interest to residents in Shinfield North. If you would like any further information or need any support in connecting with services that you may need, please do get in touch. We need your help to bring together all parts of Shinfield Parish through a range of different events, initiatives, and ideas so if you have any feedback about what you would like to see in your area, we would love to hear from you! Please contact us - our contact information is overleaf.

For Parish wide news, events and information of interest to residents of Shinfield Parish, please sign up to Shinfield Parish Councils monthly email newsletter - email info@shinfieldparish.gov.uk

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO

Events: It has been a busy few months with our regular activities in addition to Summer events jointly funded by SPC – these included a Family Fun day in Frensham Green and a Community beach trip to Southsea as part of the Holiday, Activities and Food programme (HAF). Our thanks to SPC for their support and we look forward to organising more events together in the coming year.

Groups: The Shinfield Silver Risers are an over 60s group who meet for coffee mornings at Lower Earley Library each Monday 10-11.30am except the first Monday of the month when they meet at Parsons Grange Care Home. The other activities they enjoy as a group in Shinfield include seated exercise classes at St. Barnabas Church, events at Shinfield View and volunteering at our community events. New members welcome, just turn up!



Family Fun event held at Lower Earley Library on 19th August, Dr Bike was very busy!



Summer HAF Event, Frensham Green on 1st August



Shinfield Risers Group at Parsons Grange celebrating the King's Coronation



Community Afternoon tea for our over 60's groups on 31st May hosted by the University of Reading, facilitated by Community Engagement

UP & COMING EVENTS

30.09.24 The Coffee Morning is in aid of the new Residents' Pantry at St. Barnabas Church in Shinfield. *We would love for anyone to bring along homemade cakes to sell!*



Community groups will be coming along to recruit residents who have time to volunteer. Confirmed attendees - Wokingham Volunteer Centre 'Green 'n' Tidy gardening scheme, the Earley Transport Scheme' Shinfield Voluntary Car Service, the LINK Visiting Scheme and others.

28.10.24 Family/Partner Fun Morning. We have a selection of partners coming along to show our residents what is available to them both via WBC and charity/partners. We are hoping to get the Guide Dogs for the Blind there (no promises) and will have a Bric a Brac Stand run by our Shinfield Risers in aid of the charity Herbies Hedgehogs who also have a stand at the event – our last 2 events like this had approximate 200 residents of all ages come along, Trinity Church usually provide the refreshments for us free of charge (including lovely homemade cakes!)



Save the Date

30.09.24 Coffee morning to raise funds for St. Barnabas Food Pantry & Volunteer Recruitment Fair, Lower Earley Library 10am-midday

04.10.24 Official opening of Shinfield Cinema - 4pm School Green Centre. Everyone welcome to attend opening ceremony and screening by invitation only.

24.10.24 Official Opening of St. Barnabas Pantry

28.10.24 Lower Earley Library Family/Partner Fun morning 10am – Midday

29.10.24 Spooky Tales at Lower Earley Library - 10.30-11am

30.10.24 Shinfield Park Family/partner Fun morning - 10am - Midday at Rossby Park Children's activities, outdoor games & invitees include the TV Police, St. Barnabas Church, CAB, Helping Hands Shinfield, St. Mary's Church, Places for Leisure, Involve, LINK and Age UK.

01.11.24 Friday Funday in collaboration with Shinfield Parish Council - School Green Centre 10am-1pm

13.12.24 Community Panto Trip, Hexagon, 7pm (email Shabina or Joyce to book)

08.12.24 Shinfield Festive Fayre - School Green Centre 3.30-7pm

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