

Shinfield Parish Council Newsletter

November 2024

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Annual Hard Copy Newsletter 2024



If you live in Shinfield Parish, you should've already received your annual hard copy newsletter, if not please let us know. info@shinfieldparish.gov.uk

Shinfield Remembers



Over 400 of our community turned out to pay their respects on Sunday 10th November to remember our fallen War Heroes.

You can view the drone footage [here on YouTube](#) which was kindly filmed by Reading Drones.

We will remember them...

Lest we forget

For those who have enquired about the poor state of the War Graves at St. Mary's Church Cemetery. We contacted the Commonwealth War Graves Commission who said they do maintain these every 2-3 years but we strimmed the grass, tidied them up and put Remembrance Crosses in place in time for Remembrance Day on Sunday 10th November 2024. We also tidied up the School Green Memorial and will continue to make improvements for next year.

On **The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month** Shinfield St. Mary's Junior School, Shinfield Nursey & Infants School and Alder Grove Primary, laid their wreaths at the School Green War Memorial and held a two minute silence.

Next, we have VE Day 80th Anniversary Celebrations - Thursday 8th May 2025











Shinfield Cinema opening day 1st November - free tickets for our community

Pictured is the audience of our first official showing which was Despicable Me 4 (DM4) - we offered free tickets to the community on a first come first serve basis for both showings this day but DM4 was so popular we had to put on an extra showing!

The following week we also gave away **free tickets** for the two showings, and will be doing the same **throughout November**.

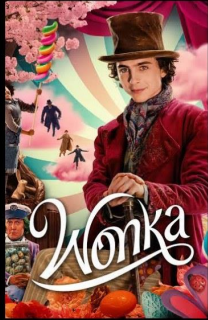
Please email info@shinfieldparish.gov.uk with how many tickets (up to 6) if you wish to see any of the showings in November. See schedule below.

**first come, first serve basis*



Shinfield Cinema Movie Schedule Nov/Dec 2024 - Free tickets for all November showings (see above)


www.shinfieldparish.gov.uk/shinfield-cinema





Date	4pm	7.30pm
1st Nov	Despicable Me 4	A Quiet: Place: Day 1
8th Nov	Wonka	Twisters
15th Nov	Kung Fu Panda 4	Pretty Woman
22nd Nov	Inside Out 2	Bad Boys: Ride or Die
29th Nov	The Greatest Showman	Alien (1979)
6th Dec	No showing due to Shinfield Festive Fayre	
13th Dec	Elf	The Holdovers
20th Dec	Home Alone	Love Actually

Friday Funday 1st November was a huge hit with the community



Thank you so much to Whitley Fire Station & Crew for attending our Friday Funday, this was a big hit with the children who were super excited to see you in the School Green Centre Car Park.

Also, thank you to our Wokingham Borough Council partners; the Shinfield North Engagement Team, Involve, Sport in Mind and others, for collaborating with us and providing extra activities like Rhyme Time and lot's of art & crafts.

We had over 150 attend this session and received some lovely feedback, thank you.







Are you between
13 and 17?
Then why not...



Fire Cadets

COME JOIN THE FIRE CADETS TODAY!



We would really like to hear from you, visit our website to find out more...

You will get the opportunity to learn about the following:

- Firefighting techniques
- Basic first aid and what to do in an emergency
- Fire safety in the home and the community
- Youth social action activities to make your community safer and better
- Fundraising for local, national and international charities
- Supporting your local Fire and Rescue Service at open days and events

Fire cadets will be opening at Crowthorne, Maidenhead, Newbury and Whitley Wood Fire Stations in September 2024.

If you want to meet new people and have a new challenge, send us an email to register your interest.

Email firecadets@rbfrs.co.uk or visit rbfrs.co.uk/firecadets






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FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE



NFCC
National Fire
Chiefs Council

Shinfield Cinema replaces Friday Funday on 20th December



FROZEN
Sing-Along

SHINFIELD CINEMA
OUR FIRST SING-ALONG

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER
AT 10:30AM

To book – email
info@shinfieldparish.gov.uk

School Green Centre, Shinfield, RG2 9EH
www.shinfieldparish.gov.uk/shinfield-cinema

Instead of the usual Friday Funday and Toddler Group, we are offering free cinema tickets for sing along Frozen.

To book on a first come first serve basis, please email info@shinfieldparish.gov.uk and how many tickets you require.

St. Barnabas Pantry for Residents



St Barnabas Pantry, Reading opened on 7th November 2024.

All residents within a 2 mile radius of the church (RG6 5TS) - who aren't using another YLP pantry eg Whitley Wood, although they can transfer membership from one to another, and are struggling to make ends meet.

We have fridge and freezer stock as well as ambient goods and a small Christmas stock.

Run by [Faith Christian Group](#), in partnership with [Reading Gateway Church](#).

For a fee of £5 each time they shop, members of this pantry will have access to fresh fruit and vegetables and store cupboard favourites often valuing £15-20 or more! Membership is open to those on benefits or low incomes who live in our catchment area. You can sign up online <https://www.yourlocalpantry.co.uk/pantry-listings/reading-st-barnabas-pantry/> or pop along to the Pantry and our friendly volunteers will sign you up.

You can find the pantry at:

Reading Gateway Church @ St Barnabas, Elm Road, Reading, RG6 5TS

Opening times:

Thursday: 1.00pm - 4.00pm

Have a question about the pantry?

Contact Carol Atkins on admin@stbarnabaspantry.org.uk or call 0118 9874 448

[DEADLINES APPROACHING FOR SHINFIELD BY-ELECTION](#)

Residents who want to vote in the upcoming by-election for Shinfield Ward have one week remaining to [register to vote](#).

The election to fill a vacant seat on the borough council will be held on Thursday 5 December and the deadline to be registered to vote is Tuesday 19 November.

It only takes five minutes and you will be asked for your National Insurance number, but it is still possible to register without one.

The candidates for the by-election have now been [published on the council's website](#).

Andrew Moulton, Returning Officer at Wokingham Borough Council, said: "I would encourage residents of Shinfield Ward to take the time to register to vote, particularly if they have recently changed address, ahead of polling day on 5 December.

"I would also urge them to remember to bring photo ID if they are voting in person. Polling stations will be open from 7am to 10pm, so get out there and make your vote count."

Following national [changes to elections and voting](#), residents are also required to bring [suitable photo ID](#) when they vote. Accepted forms of ID include:

- Passport
- Full or provisional driving licence
- Blue badge
- Certain concessionary travel cards, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card
- Identity card with Proof of Age Standards Scheme (PASS) mark
- Biometric Immigration document
- Defence identity card
- Certain national identity cards

Expired ID will also be accepted as long as the photograph on the document still resembles a likeness of the elector. A full list of accepted forms of ID is available on the [Electoral Commission's website](#), along with more information about how to apply.

If you do not have any of the approved forms of ID, you can [apply for a Voter Authority Certificate](#) in order to take part in the election. The deadline to apply is 5pm on Wednesday 27 November.

It is also possible to take part in this by-election as an absent voter. The deadline for receipt [of postal vote applications](#) is 5pm on Wednesday 20 November and for [proxy vote applications](#) is 5pm on Wednesday 27 November.

There have also been changes to postal and proxy voting, with postal vote applications now valid for three years instead of five. For security reasons, all postal and proxy vote

applications must include a signature, date of birth and your National Insurance number, whether you are applying online or by post.

Anyone who would like to receive a paper application form for either a postal or proxy vote should contact electoralservices@wokingham.gov.uk

The votes will be counted overnight following the close of the polls at 10pm on 5 December.

Wokingham Borough's first Climate Action Week

WBC are delighted to be working in partnership with Woodley Town Council to organise a series of free events as part of the borough's first Climate Action Week (18 to 23 November).

The week will see a [variety of events](#) taking place online and in person to raise awareness of what we can all do to contribute positively to tackle the climate emergency.

Both councils declared climate emergencies in 2019 and our latest [Climate Emergency Action Plan](#) sets out goals and the current progress for each action.

Climate Action Week will have added significance, as the week coincides with the 2024 UN Climate Change Conference (COP 29), which runs from 11 to 22 November in Azerbaijan.

There will be something for people of all ages to enjoy, so continue reading this newsletter to find out more about the events taking place.

For more information visit [Climate emergency \(govdelivery.com\)](https://govdelivery.com)

WBC Cold-Health alert season - Winter 2024/25

- Advice for everyone
 - [General guidance](#) on keeping warm and well
 - [Staying Well This Winter](#) on Wokingham Borough Council website
 - [Winter Health Hub](#) on NHS BOB Integrated Care Board website
 - [Winter health guidance](#) on NHS national website
- NHS advice
 - [NHS winter vaccinations](#) - book flu and Covid-19 vaccinations
 - Information on the seasonal flu vaccine for [children](#), [pregnant women](#), and [other adults](#)
 - [Covid-19 vaccine](#)
 - [RSV vaccine](#) for older adults, and pregnant women to protect their babies

- [Pneumococcal vaccine](#) for older adults
- [Norovirus \(winter vomiting bug\)](#)
- [Health effects of damp and mould in homes](#)
- Reducing the spread of respiratory infections
 - [For the general public](#)
 - [For people with symptoms](#)
 - [For workplaces](#)
- Cost of living – financial support and benefits
 - [Support for Wokingham Borough residents](#)
 - [Benefits and financial support for those on low incomes](#)
- Keeping homes warm and safe
 - [Heating advice for homes](#)
 - [Gas safety](#)
 - [Fire safety guidance](#) and [home fire safety check](#)
 - [Making homes more energy efficient](#)
 - [Priority services register from utility suppliers](#)
- Where to get NHS help
 - [Pharmacists](#) – for treatment advice and minor ailments; get your prescriptions before they close for [holidays](#) or before bad weather is forecast
 - [NHS 111](#) – for urgent medical problems or if you are not sure what to do
 - [Your GP](#) – book an appointment or use their online services
 - [Minor injury units or Urgent treatment centres](#) – for injuries or illnesses that are urgent but not life threatening
 - Call [999](#) or visit [A&E](#) – for serious injuries and life-threatening emergencies
- Met Office resources
 - [Local weather forecast](#)
 - [UK severe weather warnings for rain, snow, wind, fog and ice](#)

[WeatherReady: Thinking ahead and preparing for what the weather may bring](#)

Shinfield Volunteer Group Footpath Report - October 2024

Welcome to our footpath report for October.

October was a quiet month for us but there are a couple of snippets to pass on.

Shinfield 12.

We have continued to improve this footpath on the first section from Hollow Lane. Some of the pinch points have been cut back so that the brambles do not snare people as they walk by. There may be more effort required but we will see what we end up with when the new store opens in November.

We also did a thorough litter pick with most of the material going to recycling.

Shinfield 35.

This footpath will be alien to many of our readers but is important to the Shinfield Parish Walk number 3. This footpath is in Grazeley and runs from Bloomfield Hatch Lane, crosses the Basingstoke railway and joins Wokefield Byway 14 which is in West Berks Council. As part of my role as the Ramblers footpath warden for Shinfield I monitor this footpath looking for issues. It has had plenty over the years with fallen Elm trees and rampant foliage growth. These issues outstrip the efforts by our friends at the WBC Countryside Service which is why we try to augment what they do. This autumn I found an overhanging dead Elm tree and some encroaching foliage. The ramblers removed the tree and cut some foliage back. It is important that we do this work because of the aforementioned Parish Walk number 3. There are before and after photos here for your interest. I may have got one or two of you excited about doing this walk so remember you can download the map from the Shinfield Parish Website. It is a flat walk with no stiles.

That just leaves me to say this is probably our last report until next March when we get to do it all again. Stay safe until then and don't forget if you encounter something that you feel is not quite right, it probably isn't, so please let us know because we may not be aware of the issue. Our contact details are below.

Ray Sharp on ramblerray@gmail.com or 07761 251217

Elaine on 0118 988 2771



You can travel by bus for FREE this winter



Every Saturday from 15 November to 21 December anyone boarding a bus in the borough won't have to pay

Free bus travel has also been agreed for those travelling for the Wokingham Winter Carnival and Woodley Christmas Extravaganza

See all routes at <https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/news/2024/travel-free-winter>

Toys & Teens Christmas Present Appeal 2024

Registered Charity No. 1022144



Reading Family Aid's **Toys and Teens**

CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL 2024

PLEASE DONATE NEW AND 'AS NEW' GIFTS FOR CHILDREN AGED 0-16

These will be given to disadvantaged children in Reading who otherwise may not receive a gift this Christmas.

Donate funds to the appeal via our GoFundMe: 

Bring your gift donations to one of our donation points.

Donation point information:

Final date for donations: **Saturday 7 December**

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/christmas-toys-and-teens-appeal-2024>

See our website for more information and the Full list of donation points:
www.readingfamilyaid.org

✉ info@readingfamilyaid.org ☎ 07930 033413

Thank you to our sponsors:



The School Green Centre is a collection hub for any donations up until the end of November.

Thank you so much for all your kind donations so far. Below is a wishlist/ideas for different age groups as the charity always struggles with enough Teen presents.



Toys and Teens Appeal

Donations Wish List

We are accepting new and 'as new' toys for children aged 0-16. These will be given to disadvantaged children in Reading who may not receive a gift this Christmas.

Birth to 2 Years

Lift-the-flap or board books
Teething toys
Stacking cups
Shape sorters
Wooden shape jigsaws
Sensory toys - things that light up, make different noises, different textures
Bath toys
Small toy prams and buggies etc.
Megablocks or Duplo
Play mats

Age 6 to 9

Colouring books, felt pens and coloured pencils
Art and Crafts sets
Fidget toys and similar sensory toys
Lego or similar
Barbies, Action Figures or similar
Books
Football
Jigsaws
Board games
Construction sets (eg. Meccano or similar)
Role play toys and Dressing up clothes
Hats, gloves and scarves

Age 13 to 16

Sketch books or Mindful Colouring Books
Gel pens, watercolour paints and pencils
Books for teens and young adults
Board Games
Lego Technic or similar
Toiletory and Skincare sets
Wallets/purses
Bags/ Rucksacks
Hats, gloves and scarves
Sports equipment
Bedroom lights/neon signs
Hair accessories: brushes/combs/ heatless curls etc.
Wireless Headphones/Earphones/Speakers
Gift Vouchers: One4All, Primark, Sports Direct, Boots, WHSmith, Cinemas etc.

Age 3 to 5

Colouring books, pens and coloured pencils
Sticker books
Playdoh
Barbies, Action Figures or similar
Duplo and Lego
Vehicles and Dinosaurs
Books
Jigsaw Puzzles
Dolls
Role play toys and Dressing up clothes
Small toy prams and buggies etc.
Hats, gloves and scarves

Age 10 to 12

Board games
Colouring books, coloured pencils and pens
Art and Craft sets
Lego or similar
Books
Football
Jigsaws
Construction sets (eg. Meccano, or similar)
Science kits
Hats, gloves and scarves
Toiletory Sets
Makeup for young teens
Hair accessories: brushes/combs/ heatless curls etc.

What we don't want

Dirty, broken or incomplete toys
Toys with missing characters, animals or parts
Second hand electrical items or re-chargeable items
Religious books
Clothes
CDs and DVDs
Educational books and workbooks, reading scheme books, home schooling books
Past years annuals and record books
Food items including sweets, chocolates and biscuits
Large items like bikes, pool tables, ride ons
Soft toys
Computer Games



Or you can donate via our Amazon Wish List!

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Toys and Teens Appeal Gift ideas aged 10 -12 years

CATEGORY	IDEAS
Games (board, card, STEM, family games)	- Herd Mentality - Ticket to Ride - Articulate - Escape room puzzles - Kids Against Maturity - Beat that - Carcassonne - Magnetic football tables - Hover football - Scribble
Art supplies	- Sketchbooks - Highlighters - Gel pens - Watercolour paints & pad - Acrylics - Pencil case
Colouring books	- Colouring books for older children (mindfulness/ mandalas) - Good quality pens/ pencils
Reading books	- Hannah Gold - Jacqueline Wilson - Adam Kay - Michael Morpurgo - David Walliams - Nick Arnold
Puzzle books	- Crosswords - Wordsearch - Curious facts - Joke books - Sudoku - Mindfulness puzzles - Brain boggling puzzles
Activity kits for older children (craft/ science)	- Science kits - Decopatch - Wooden model kit - Hydraulic construction kits - Bath bomb kits - Machine works - Jewellery kits
Toilettries Individual items or make a hamper	- Bath or shower bombs 'Tween' makeup sets - Make up bag - Bath and shower sets - Skincare sets - Wash bags
Hair care	- Hair chalk - Styling and accessories, - Heatless curl sets
Technology	- Headphones - Ear pods - Volcano lights
Jewellery	- Bracelets - Necklaces - Jewellery stand - Jewellery case
Lego sets	- Technic - Marvel - Speed champions - Architecture - Harry Potter
Comfort	- Fluffy socks - Slipper socks - Oversize hoodie blanket
Sports equipment	- Football - Basketballs - Magnetic dartboard - Flying discs
Other	- Water bottles - Fidget pens - Rubiks cube - Cross body bag

Suggested maximum amount per item, £20-£25



Scan this QR code or go to our Amazon Wish List to choose something to donate.

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Toys and Teens Appeal
Gift ideas aged 13 -16 years

CATEGORY	IDEAS	
Games (board, card, STEM, family games)	• Herd Mentality • Ticket to Ride • Articulate • Escape room puzzles	• Beat that • Carcassone • Magnetic football tables
Art supplies	• Sketchbooks • Highlighters • Gel pens	• Watercolour paints & pad • Acrylics
Colouring books	• Colouring books for older children (mindfulness/ mandalas) • Good quality pens/ pencils	
Vouchers	• Vouchers: One4All, Primark, Sports Direct, Boots, WHSmith, New Look, Vue Cinema	
Reading books	• Holly Jackson • Karen M McManus • Robin Stevens • Katie Tsand	• Rick Riordan • Anthony Horowitz • James Dasher
Puzzle books for older children	• Crosswords • Wordsearch • Riddles for smart teens	• Ultimate puzzle books for teens • Mindfulness puzzles • Sudoku
Activity kits for older children (craft/ science)	• Science kits • Decopatch • Wooden model kit • Hydraulic construction kits	• Bath bomb kits • Machine works • Jewellery kits
Toiletries Individual items or make a hamper	• Make up brushes and sponges • Make up & nail varnish • Make up bags	• Bath and shower sets • Aftershave/perfume • Skincare sets • Beauty items
Hair care	• Hair products • Styling and accessories,	• Heatless curl sets
Technology (Phone/ computer accessories/ decorations)	• Headphones • Ear pods • Portable speakers • Bluetooth beanie hat	• Solar power bank • Shower speakers • LED lights • Volcano lights
Jewellery	• Bracelets • Necklaces	• Jewellery stand • Jewellery case
Lego sets	• Technic • Marvel • Speed champions	• Architecture • Harry potter
Comfort	• Fluffy socks • Slipper socks	• Hot water bottles • Oversize blanket hoody
Sports equipment	• Footballs • Basketball	• Magnetic dartboard
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DriveOn road safety magazine

This is useful for anyone who passed their test some time ago [Click here for the electronic copy](#)

Southern & Scotland Electricity Networks - priority services register

SEEN's free Priority Services Register supports those with chronic illnesses, mental health, young children and more. Find out how you can access additional support:

If you live in England click here to register: www.thepsr.co.uk



DO YOU NEED EXTRA SUPPORT IN A POWERCUT?

DO YOU LIVE WITH A CHRONIC ILLNESS, CARE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN OR SOMEONE WITH DEMENTIA OR HAVE COMMUNICATION NEEDS?

Register for free Priority Services and
we can provide you with:

- Regular updates
- Safety advice
- Communication in large print, Braille, alternative languages
or BSL
- Dedicated 24hour helpline

Everyone has different
needs so scan, visit or
call for more information



Visit us
theprsr.co.uk

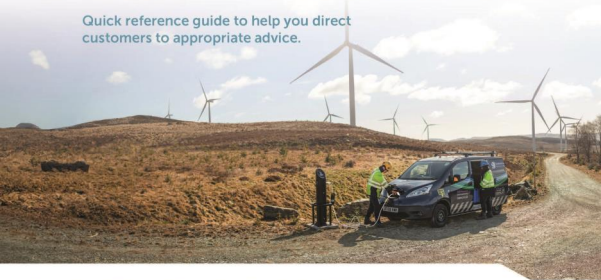
or call us on
0800 294 3259





HELPING YOU SUPPORT VULNERABLE CUSTOMERS QUICKLY

Quick reference guide to help you direct
customers to appropriate advice.



**POWER CUT?
CALL 105**

PRIORITY SERVICES REGISTER (PSR)

Some customers (including elderly, sick, young families, carers, people with Dementia or those with communications needs) need extra support and would benefit from the free priority services which includes: regular updates in power cuts, extra support and help with day to day communications.

Register using one of three methods below or call the PSR team if you have any concerns regarding a vulnerable customer Monday to Friday 8-8pm and Saturday 8-5pm:



or call us on
0800 294 3259



Email us
networks.priority.services@sse.com



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COMMUNICATION

Our customers have different communication needs, for example English may not be the customers first language, or they may be hard of hearing. There are a number of services available to support:



LANGUAGE TRANSLATION

Call the PSR team, they use Language Line to translate any language. They can also translate letters or print large format on request. **0800 294 3259**



TEXTPHONE

Textphone can be used for the Deaf or hard of hearing – customers can communicate with us by text instead of talking, using a special landline phone with a display screen. The number for the textphone service is **0800 316 5457**



BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE (BSL)

BSL interpretation is available via our website.

The customer uses the service to connect to an interpreter who relays the video conversation to SSEN over the phone.

Scroll down to the middle of the priority services page to access this service.



[ssen.co.uk/
power-cuts-emergencies/
priority-services/](https://ssen.co.uk/power-cuts-emergencies/priority-services/)

POWER CUTS

Find out if the customer is coping, build a rapport and reassure them you are here to help.

Recommend the customer reports the power cut using Power Track, this will give live updates on the network, when the power will be back on and where welfare provision might be located.

Alternatively **call 105** to report the power cut.

For power cuts that last more than 12 hours there is welfare support available and vulnerable customers are our priority. They can call the PSR team for help on **0800 294 3259** Monday to Friday 8-8pm and Saturday 8-5pm.



[powertrack.ssen.co.uk/
powertrack](https://powertrack.ssen.co.uk/powertrack)



Download our Power Track app.



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Electricity Networks

What's on in the Parish, School Green Centre & Spencers Wood Pavilion

Regular Classes at the S+A1:E4School Green Centre and Spencers Wood Pavilion			
Hirer	Activity	Day of session	Contact Details
School Green Centre			
Adult sessions			
Bumps and Beyond	Postnatal fitness class	Monday morning	pipgoodwinpt@outlook.com
Sally Podzemney	Pregnancy yoga	Tuesday evening	sally@sallysogaforwellbeing.co.uk
Angela O'Brien	Pilates* / Ballet**	Tuesday*, Wednesday*, Thursday* & Friday** morning	a.obrien4070@ntlworld.com
Berkshire Pilates Referral & Sports therapy	Back4Good	Tuesday morning (new class starting 15.10.24) free taster session	info@berkshirerilates.co.uk
Dance Planet Ltd	Ballroom Dance class	Tuesday evening	danceplanetuk@gmail.com
Jonathan Newey Fine Art	Art Class	Tuesday evening (starting 01.10.24)	jnewey210@gmail.com
Libby Putney Stricly Street	Dance class	Tuesday evening	libby@strictlystreet.co.uk
Shinfield History Group	Education	2nd Tuesday of each month	gardenyoung@aol.com
Zumba Gold Class - Emma Rogers	Zumba Gold Class	Wednesday morning	eirogers_1@yahoo.co.uk
Pound Green Shinfield WI	Meeting	3rd Wednesday of each month	lyn@lantecsecunty.co.uk
Activate Training and Sports Therapy	Pilates and Lattes	Wednesday evenings & Thursday morning	info.activatetraining@gmail.com
West Coast Swing Reading	Dance Class	Thursday evening	westcoastswingreading@gmail.com
Triantum Pilates	Pilates	Thursday evening	nikitatanumpilates@gmail.com
Elite Ladies Kickboxing Ltd.	Ladies' kickboxing class	Thursday evening	nobbrown@gmail.com
Mindfulness in Reading	Health	Friday morning / afternoon	info@mindfulnessinreading.co.uk
Mick's Training	Fitness Class	Friday evening	info@mickstraining.co.uk
Food For All	Adults	Saturday evening	nathbv@gmail.com
Shiamak London	Dance Class (Bollywood)	Sunday morning and afternoon	dhrumil.soni@shiamak.com
Younger people			
Starlet Dance	Dance	Monday evening	starletdanceschool@hotmail.com
Baby Sense & Toddler Sense	Mother & baby	Tuesday morning	southreading@toddlersense.co.uk
Flexx Gymnastics	Fitness	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday afternoon	flexxgymnastics@outlook.com
Dance Planet Ltd	Ballroom Dance class	Tuesday afternoon	danceplanetuk@gmail.com
The Hang out at Shinfield	Youth Club	Wednesday evening	rachel.walker@shinfieldparish.gov.uk
Diddi Dance	Dance	Thursday morning	bethany.bianca@diddidance.com
First Impressions Theatre	Theatre	Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday evening (Term time only)	firstimpressionstheatre@gmail.com
Rangers	Girl Guides	Thursday evening	christinebatchelor@me.com
Bloom Toddler Classes	Mother & baby	Friday morning	reading@bloomtoddlersclasses.com
School Green Baby & Toddler Group	Mother & child	Friday morning	bruce.winton@shinfieldparish.gov.uk
Libby Putney Stricly Street	Dance	Friday afternoon (Term time only)	libby@strictlystreet.co.uk
Nityashetra	Dance	Friday afternoon	nityashetra@gmail.com
Shiamak London	Dance Class (Bollywood)	Sunday morning (Term time only)	dhrumil.soni@shiamak.com
Moon Tutton	Education	Saturday & Sunday morning/afternoon	moontutton@yahoo.com
S-Cube Shinfield	Education	Wednesday evening & Saturday morning	skscubeshin@gmail.com
Music School	Music	Saturday morning	info@kocheleova-music.co.uk
SLA First Class Learning	Education	Saturday afternoon	reading.east@firstclasslearning.co.uk
Tutu Ololo	Education	Sunday morning	tutulololo@gmail.com
Nemesis Martial Art	Martial Art	Saturday morning	peter@nemesis martialarts.co.uk
Spencers Wood Pavilion			
Adult sessions			
ELS Fitness	Fitness - Zumba	Wednesday evening	emma.sargisson@icloud.com
Senior Citizens Coffee morning - Shinfield Volunteers Group	Community	Thursday morning	ianyong@maifence.com
Spencers Wood History Group	Education	3rd Tuesday of the month	patricia.green957@btinternet.com
Go-Dancing	Latin Dance	Friday evening	go-dancing@outlook.com
Berkshire Wellness Circle	Drumming	Saturday morning	essie.hurley@gmail.com
Younger people			
Dance Sensation	Dance	Tuesday & Thursday afternoon & evening	marie@dancesensation.org.uk
Diddi Dance	Dance	Friday afternoon	bethany.bianca@diddidance.com
Spencers Wood Recreation Ground			
Pizzatron	Pizza	Thursday evenings (16:00 - 20:00)	altand@gmail.com
Jo Jo Food Truck	Greek and Mediteranean food	Friday / Saturday evenings	joanna.tokar.jtd@gmail.com
Fitness Bootcamp	Adults	Friday evening / Sunday morning	matt.reading1996@gmail.com
Mini Kickers	Children	Saturday morning	swfc_fixtures@yahoo.com

For further details relating to these sessions please visit www.shinfieldparish.gov.uk

Become a volunteer.

Transform an older person's life.



The Link Visiting Scheme is looking for volunteers to give some of their time every week to make isolated older people in their community feel connected and valued.

Our volunteers make cherished relationships and bring companionship and joy to those struggling with loneliness in Wokingham Borough. If you would like to make a difference, please request a volunteer pack!

Website: linkvisiting.org
Social: @linkvisiting
Office: 0118 979 8019



the Link
visiting scheme



Share Shinfield

Every Monday 12.30 -1.30pm
Plentiful surplus food available
(Fruit, veg, bread, bakery,
fridge/freezer items)
plus free cafe



@Shinfield Community Church
1 Fairmead road, RG2 9DL
£1 donation
[www.facebook.com/
helpinghandshinfield](http://www.facebook.com/helpinghandshinfield) for more
details

caring more, wasting less





Interested in having a free health check?

Our community wellness outreach team are offering free health checks for:

- People aged 30+ not on medication or receiving treatment for high blood pressure, heart failure, diabetes, raised cholesterol or chronic kidney disease:
- Or if you are eligible for a NHS health check

The free health check will include:

- Height and weight measurements
- Blood pressure reading
- Cholesterol reading
- Blood sugar reading
- Advice and guidance on issues that may impact your health and well being



To book an appointment, scan the QR code or email us at:
cwo@wokingham.gov.uk

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Shinfield and District Local History Society

2024–2025 Programme

*Meetings are at 19:45 in the
School Green Centre, Shinfield*

Tues 8 October, Prof. Helen Parish, ‘Leude, malicious, and hurtfull’: the witches of Windsor and the representation of witchcraft in early modern England

Tues 12 November, Dr Gareth Jones, ‘Public Gratitude and Private Encumbrance’: the Duke of Wellington’s Estate in the early Twentieth Century

Tues 10 December, George Taylor, ‘Something for Everyone’: The Shinfield Eisteddfod and Festival, 1951 to 1992

Tues 14 January, AGM, Speaker tbc

Tues 11 February, Rob Wallace, ‘Chalk, Caverns, Commandos’: Chalk mining under Reading

Tues 11 March, Clive Williams, Title tbc

Tues 8 April, Prof. Richard Hoyle, The landscape of Shinfield and Swallowfield: some facts and speculations

Tues 13 May, Barbara Stanley, Swallowfield Church. *At Swallowfield Church: meet in the car park at 19:30*

www.shinfieldhistory.org.uk



Voluntary Driver wanted to join our friendly team



**Do you have around
4 Hours a week to share?**

**Help bring clients to and from
their Medical Appointments**

- Use your own car with expenses paid
- Choose when and where you drive

Rewarding role – Local charity – Training given

Interested? Simply leave your Name & Number
for our Manager to get back to you



**Shinfield
Voluntary Car Service**

**Office: 0118 9883400
shinvol@gmail.com**

Registered Charity No. 1152428

DYNAMIC PILATES

Dynamic Pilates is a fast-paced form of Pilates that combines the precision and focus of traditional classes with a cardiovascular element to form a high intensity work out.

- FREE TRIAL CLASS -



When: Wednesdays 10.40 - 11.30am
Where: School Green Centre, Shinfield, RG2 9EH

CONTACT ANGELA TO BOOK

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www.pilateteacher.co.uk

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Wokingham Voluntary & Community Networking Event

Wednesday 27th November 2024, 10:30am-12:30pm

The Cornerstone, Norreys Avenue, Wokingham, RG40 1UE

Free networking event for those working or volunteering in the voluntary, community and faith sector in the Wokingham Borough.

There will be time to connect with other local charitable workers, discover community services, promote your organisation's work and ask questions of colleagues. Please bring leaflets to share with others.

Guest Speakers: Resh Thorpe & Mhairi Adams from WBC Climate Emergency Team will be presenting on the Climate Emergency Action Plan and how charities and the communities we work with can play our part.

To book your place please email naomi.brown@involve.community





NEW BEGINNERS BALLROOM & LATIN DANCE CLASSES FOR KIDS

Every Tuesday 4:00-4:50pm

Location : Tower Room,
School Green Centre, School
Green, Shinfield, RG2 9EH

**Join
Now**

First class free!



Dance Planet
Tel: 07940538541
Email: danceplanetuk@gmail.com
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NEW BEGINNERS STRICTLY BALLROOM DANCE CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Every Tuesday 8:30-9:30 pm

Location : Ryeish Green Hall,
School Green Centre, School
Green, Shinfield, RG2 9EH

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ADULT EDUCATION COURSES WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER 12	Managing Child Anxiety Online via Zoom 7pm -8:30pm (over 2 weeks)
NOVEMBER 13	Understanding Teenage Anxiety Online via Zoom 7:30pm - 9pm (over 2 weeks)
NOVEMBER 14	Introduction to being a Teaching Assistant and Working in Schools Finchampstead FBC 12:30pm - 2:30pm (over 6 weeks)
NOVEMBER 27	Building Resilience in your Child Online Zoom 7pm - 8:30pm (over 2 weeks)
DECEMBER 10	Creating and developing presentations Online Zoom 10:30am - 1:00pm (over 2 days)
DECEMBER 10	Introduction to Powerpoint Online Zoom 10:30am - 1:00pm (over 2 days)
JANUARY 14	Introduction to using an iPad The Cornerstones 10am -12 noon (over 4 weeks)



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO APPLY
PLEASE CALL 01189 743797



FREE ADULT EDUCATION COURSES WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER 13	Excel at Budgeting Wokingham Library 10:00 - 12 noon
NOVEMBER 13	Love Food Hate Waste The Cornerstone (over 3 weeks) 9:30-11:30
NOVEMBER 14	Terrific Timestables Finchampstead FBC 9:30 - 11:30
NOVEMBER 19	Century help your child with maths Online Zoom 10:30 - 11:30
NOVEMBER 21	Fun with Time Earley Crescent Centre 9:30 - 11:30
NOVEMBER 26	Sensory Maths Finchampstead FBC 9:30 - 11:30
DECEMBER 02	Century maths for workplace Online via Zoom 7pm -8:00pm



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**The Repair Cafe at
Lambs Lane Primary School
3rd Sunday of each month 17th November 2024
10 am and 1 pm**



Our talented volunteers look forward to welcoming you with any broken household or garden items that need repairing.

Phone: 07718 679827

Website: [Spencerswoodrepaircafe.co.uk](https://spencerswoodrepaircafe.co.uk).

email: Billie@spencerswoodrepaircafe.co.uk

All repairs are free but donations to help towards our running costs and youth workshops are gratefully accepted. We encourage visitors to help with the repairs but we also have a cafe where you can just chill and wait if you prefer.




ALDER GROVE
CHRISTMAS FAYRE

THURS 5TH DEC
3.30 – 7pm
£1 ENTRY

STALLS - FOOD - BAR
RAFFLE - TOMBOLA
SANTA'S STORY GROTTO



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Free Adult Education courses in December 2024

2 DEC	Century Maths for the Workplace Online training via Zoom 7pm -8pm
3 DEC	Introduction to Reception and KS1 Maths 9:30 - 12:30 The Cornerstones
3 DEC	Century Maths for ESOL Online training 7pm - 8pm
4 DEC	Century Help with your Maths Online training 7pm - 8pm
5 DEC	Fun with Time School Green Shinfield 9:30 - 11:30
5 DEC	Mixing up Maths Earley Crescent Centre 9:30 - 11:30
9 DEC	Excel at Budgeting Wokingham Library 10:00 - 12 noon
10 DEC	Introduction to KS2 maths Earley Crescent Centre 9:30 - 12:30

IF YOU FANCY ANY OF THESE FANTASTIC COURSE PLEASE CALL 01189 743797 TO APPLY





For more information on ***what's on*** locally visit [What's On and Events Calendar - Shinfield Parish Council](#)



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