



# BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL

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## Woodhouse Gardens Pavilion Extension

The pavilion has been extended to introduce two accessible toilets, a storage cupboard for hirers and a larger kitchen. The works started on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 for a period of 14 weeks, but there were problems in the first week with a faulty piling rig and, at the time, no overall delay to the contract was considered to have been incurred. However, the cumulative knock on effect on ground workers being able to return to site created a delay of a fortnight. We are now looking forward to the scheduled events taking place in September. Please bear with us whilst the grounds staff work hard to reinstate the beautiful gardens.

The approved design was not what the Town Council originally applied for, which was an extension flush to the existing building with a matching roof. The Planning Authority required some form of distinction *to define the existing from the proposed and avoid exacerbating the already long narrow linear building form*, hence why the extension is set back from the existing building and a sinusoidal corrugated metal roofing sheet has been employed instead of tiles.

The redundant windows have been claimed by a resident for inclusion in a learning resource centre/library being built in Zambia, as part of the charity 'Future Pillars Zambia', which is fantastic to see them being reused instead of disposing of them.

### *A Christmas Carol*

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

**The Corn Exchange at 7:30pm**

A Christmas Carol, performed by Gerald Dickens, the great-great-grandson of the author Charles Dickens. All tickets are £8 each, available from the Town Council or online at: (<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/select/NSTqVYPBR0nx>). Thanks to our sponsors; Blanchards Bailey LLP, The Georgian Tearoom and Lesley Shand Funeral Director for their support with this event, part of the Blandford Literary Festival week. Refreshments available.

### *Family Christmas Show*

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December The Corn Exchange  
4:00pm - 6:00pm**

Festive, family fun with Mr Merlin & Okey Dokey the Dragon, Jamie Jigsaw, Krazy Kev and Get Up & Groove. All tickets are £5 each and can be purchased from the Town Council or online at: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/select/TdBcxUJQjHWp>. Thanks to our sponsors for their support with this event; G&K Manson Heating & Plumbing Engineers and Richard Cummins Electrical Ltd. Refreshments available.



### *A Medieval Moot - Free Entry*

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

**10am to 4pm in the Corn Exchange**

*Join us for something different with period cookery demonstrations by the Time Traveller's Kitchen and a Medieval Moot in the main hall.*



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## Community Expo & Budget Consultation Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September - 10am to 1pm Corn Exchange, Market Place



The Town Council would like to invite you to the Blandford Community Expo, including this year's Budget Consultation for 2020/21. Local organisations and groups will be gathered to promote and explain to the public what they do. This will be a great opportunity to showcase all the wonderful community groups who work tirelessly to make our local community so active and vibrant. Come and see what is on offer in the town, meet people and perhaps start something new! The Town Council will also be available to discuss any aspect of its budget for the next financial year and to hear your suggestions. Refreshments will be available. The Picnic in the Park is also taking place on this day in Woodhouse Gardens from 11am to 3pm and details are overleaf.

## Dorset Architectural Heritage Week 2019

The Town Council is taking part again in this incredibly worthwhile event. Please come and visit the Corn Exchange, Town Hall and Council Chamber on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September from 11:30am-1pm and the Town Council's Cemetery Chapel on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September from 10am - 2pm.

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: **Mayor's Charity Events** - The Mayor, Cllr Lynn Lindsay, has arranged the :  
: following events to support her chosen charity, The Community Kitchen: :  
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: **Last Night of the Proms** with The Stour Valley Band at 7pm on **Friday** :  
: **15<sup>th</sup> November** in the Corn Exchange. Entry is £6 for adults and £3 for children. :  
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: **A Bingo Night** on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November** in the Corn Exchange at 7pm. Please :  
: check our website/Facebook page for further details. :  
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: The **Blandford+ Neighbourhood Plan 2011 - 2033** is currently undergoing independent :  
: examination by Mr. Terrence Kemmann-Lane JP DipTP FRTPI MCMI. :  
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: A non-statutory exploratory meeting regarding the Plan was held in public on Thursday :  
: 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019 at the Blandford Parish Centre. :  
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: In accordance with Paragraph 9 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act :  
: 1990 (as amended) the examiner, Mr Kemmann-Lane, has decided that a hearing is :  
: required for the purpose of receiving oral representations. :  
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: Further information and updates regarding the examination of the Blandford + :  
: Neighbourhood Plan 2011 -2033, including notice and details of the hearing, will be :  
: available via the following link: :  
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