

## Cricklade Town Council – Area Board update for 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024



### Councillor Bob Jones MBE

We were deeply saddened at the recent death of Councillor Bob Jones. He will always be remembered by Cricklade Town Council for his huge contribution to the life of the town over the many years he was in Cricklade.

We would like to give our thanks to all that attended his funeral. The large gathering was testament to the recognition of all that Bob did for the town, and for the county as a whole.

Bob was the chairman of the CTC Community & Leisure Committee which he led with his customary enthusiasm. In addition, he served on numerous council working parties. His contributions will be much missed.

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Please see details of events that have been supported by Cricklade Town Council (CTC), and also some upcoming events that are planned for the residents to get involved with.

**Community snow drop planting** – the day was a dry sunny one even though the conditions under foot were wet. This took place in the Millennium wood area during February half term

Bloomers planting of the 400 shrubs and 1,000 snowdrops in Millennium wood on 14th February was well attended despite the inclement weather. The rain held off and all plants were planted by 11.10am. We would like to thank Bloomers and all the lovely volunteers for their efforts in keeping Cricklade a picturesque town we can all be proud of. The children all mucked in and some had a few discoveries they were very proud of!



Cricklade Memory Café - supported by Cricklade Town Council - held its first meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and had over 18 people attend. Cat Attewell from Home Instead provided the sing-along activities and shared a post on Facebook as shown here...

**CRICKLADE MEMORY CAFE**  
FOR RESIDENTS OF CRICKLADE & LATTON



**FREE INAUGURAL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**  
10.30am TO 12.30pm  
**CRICKLADE TOWN HALL ANNEX**  
**Please join us for a Cuppa and cake**



**There will be music for the mind, plenty of information and support in a friendly enjoyable atmosphere.**  
**The cafe will then be open on the first Wednesday of each month at a small charge of £2.50. All enquiries to Vona 07896 723794 or Margaret 07976 620089**

Well done to all the volunteers at the first Cricklade Memory Cafe this morning! It was well attended and the guests enjoyed connecting. We're sure it is the first of many positive cafes for those living with dementia and their carers in Cricklade.



**Forthcoming activities:**



**Cricklade Annual Community Litter Pick**  
**SATURDAY 23RD MARCH 2024**

Participants to meet at Bath Road Play area at 9.30am  
Teams will then be allocated with a leader and given a designated litter pick area  
Finish at Cricklade Town Council Offices by 11.45am for tea and biscuits  
All equipment provided; bring gloves if needed

For more information contact Cricklade Town Council on 01793 751394 or email [admin@crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk)

**Be a Litter Hero** 



**Bloomers Community Orchard Project**  
**Community Planting Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 10am to 12 noon**

In collaboration with Cricklade Town Council, Cricklade Bloomers cordially invite residents of Cricklade to join us on this exciting project. Come and help us plant thirty apple and pear trees in Fairview Fields on the morning of Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

**Everyone welcome**  
**Children to be accompanied by an adult**  
**Bring your own gloves - tools and guidance provided**  
**If you would like to help, please confirm by email to [anita@crickladeinbloom.co.uk](mailto:anita@crickladeinbloom.co.uk)**

The orchard is being planted alongside The Queen Elizabeth Path. To find the site: From Abingdon Court walk towards Fairview Fields along The Avenue of the Fallen. From the rugby field car park walk along the perimeter path of Stockham Close.



A 'Friends of Fairview Fields Community Orchard' will be formed on the day for those interested in learning about fruit tree maintenance, pruning, harvesting, apple pressing and storing, along with taking part in other community events. So please visit on the day even if not taking part in planting.