

Remembrance in Cricklade

Once again, this year the Town turned out in force to commemorate the fallen over the Remembrance weekend. Firstly, on Sunday there was a formal parade and short service including a 2 minutes silence at 11am at the War Memorial. As always, this event was very well attended and Cricklade paid its respects. After the non-denominational service in St. Sampson's Church a small contingent of residents and guests attended a wreath laying event at Blakehill Cairns. Here the men and women from the UK and the Royal Canadian Air Force that were based and flew from Blakehill during the 2nd World War are remembered.

These events were followed on Monday 11th November by a short service of Remembrance for the school children, all the children attending have an opportunity to lay a cross at the war memorial.



Many thanks to all who helped make the events a success as always.

Wiltshire Towns grant

Cricklade have been successful in applying for a Wiltshire Towns grant and over the last couple of months some noticeable actions have been completed. The High Street bollards have been repainted – this has made the High Street appear much fresher and tidier.

New signs have also been erected around the town and old signs have been removed.



Before



After



Small grants awarded in 2024

Cricklade Town Council have given out 6 grants so far this year to local causes. Small grants of up to £500 per financial year are available to non-profit making groups and grants are given to benefit the people who reside within the Cricklade Parish Boundary.

The 6 beneficiaries since May 2024 are The Cricklade Band, Community Defibrillator group, Cricklade Bowls Club, Cricklade Fencing club, Cricklade Art group and the Cricklade Development Foundation. Applications are discussed and approved at the next Full Town Council meeting after receipt. Guidelines and application forms are available on our website. <https://www.crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk/town-council/grants>

Cricklade Community Awards

Cricklade Town Council have just launched their Community Awards for 2024-2025. The 3 categories are :

Young Person of the Year

Presented to a young person under the age of 18 in recognition of devotion to a cause, achieving something exceptional, excelling in volunteering or bringing credit to Cricklade.

The Cricklade Community Award

Presented to an individual over the age of 18 for their contribution to the improvement of life in Cricklade

Community Group of the Year

Presented to a community group in recognition of their contribution to the quality of life in Cricklade and enhancing the community spirit.

Applications are available on our website and the closing date for receipt is Friday 21st February 2025, and award winners will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday 18th March 2025.