

Hello again Buxton Town Team members.

In the last newsletter we were rejoicing in the glorious summer weather, now summer's nearly over! But there's still lots going on that we'd love you to join in with.

SEPTEMBER IDEAS MEETING

MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 7:30PM IN THE RAILWAY HOTEL

As ever, the main Town Team gathering of the month! The special focus this time, for reasons which will become obvious, is on cycling, cycleways and footpaths. We have a number of outside speakers lined up to tell you about their plans for the town, and then we'll talk about how this might link in with what we're already doing, or how we might be able to help. Plus of course there'll be the usual updates on current projects and town developments. Anyone is welcome to attend the Ideas Meeting; if you aren't already on the circulation list to get the agenda and notes, and want to be, tell us and we'll add you to the list.

At the July Ideas Meetings we looked at the list of ideas and did some work on prioritising them, at the August meeting we looked at how we run the Ideas Meeting, and whether we might want to do things differently. We'd really, really like your input on this, so please help by filling in our short survey - here's the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QR83LRL>

TOUR OF BRITAIN - FRIDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

You may be aware that the premier UK Cycle Race is coming right through Buxton this year; in on the Leek Rd, then Macclesfield Rd, West Rd, High St, the Market Place (sprint finish), Terrace Rd, The Crescent, The Square, Water St and out up Manchester Rd. As part of turning this into an event for the town, a group of Town Team members have been collecting old bikes, cleaning and painting them up to position along the route - there's some [nice pictures on the Facebook page](#).

Thanks to everyone who has helped out so far - if you haven't been involved yet it's not too late ...

FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 6:30PM - SETTING OUT BIKES

Meet outside the Town Hall and we'll send teams of people out to fix the bikes in strategic locations along the route. We'll also need help collecting the bikes in again after the event, time and date for this still to be decided, but let us know if you could help. Then the bikes will be stored away, ready to be wheeled out again as flower planters for Buxton in Bloom next year.

LITTER PICKING WALK

SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 11AM - 1PM

The monthly gathering of cans, bottles, bags and wrappers! **Meet by the Morrisons Entrance**, and we'll clean up **Dukes Drive**, which is a terrible rat run of people throwing stuff out of their car windows, and maybe have a look at the Ashwood Park steps as well while we're there. As usual litter picking gadgets, bags, hoops and hi viz jackets will be provided, but please wear stout footwear and gloves. Wheelbarrows are useful if you have one for loading and carrying the full bags. More information from Karen - stoop.farm@btinternet.com - and suggestions of where in the town is in need of attention next are always welcome, just let us know.

BUXTON & LEEK COLLEGE VOLUNTEER DAY

WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

We'll be running a recruitment stall! As part of their courses, many college students have to take part

in quite a lot of voluntary work; in the past they've helped with the railings clean, painting the George Street panels, regenerating Ashwood Park, painting the new mural at Buxton Station and more. This is where we'll meet the new intake as well as 2nd and 3rd year students and hopefully inspire them to get involved in more Town Team projects this year. If you could help out on the day, or with mentoring student over the next twelve months, please get in touch with Helen - helen113dav@btinternet.com

ASHWOOD PARK CLEAN UP

SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 10:30AM TO 12:30PM

The project team have been gardening away all summer - if you want to join them do get in touch with Claire (c.e.millard@sky.com) or Tina (heathcote.foxlow@btinternet.com)

We do need a concerted effort to clear along the river banks, so if you could help out with this, Tina or Claire would be really pleased to hear from you - or just show up on the day, suitably attired, bring secateurs, loppers and other hand tools if you have them.

Hopefully you'll be able to join in with some of the above - before we leave you, here's a quick run down of things you may have missed:

THE BIG NEWS - BUXTON MARKET

You may have seen this in the paper, or on the Facebook page - but after a lengthy competitive tendering process, HBBC selected our bid to take over the running of the regular markets in Buxton. We are now finalising the details of the agreement with them, sorting out setting up a new company Buxton Markets CIC, developing a fundraising plan and staff recruitment process, starting to recruit traders, researching the best design of stalls and so on and so on. If you have relevant experience and could help with any aspect of this do please get in touch with John - john@estruich.co.uk. We'll be publishing the full business plan in due course but there's [more detail of our plans on the website](#).

BUXTON IN BLOOM

We had loads of entries to the local competitions, the awards event for that was held at the end of July and [the results are on the website](#). As for the East Midlands in Bloom competition, the judges visited Buxton on 8th July and seemed to have a good time. The results will be announced at an awards event on Wednesday 16th September - wish us luck! Meanwhile thanks to Waitrose who are donating £150 from their Community Fund, thanks also to everyone who put their green buttons in the Buxton in Bloom box.

BUXTON CARNIVAL, 11TH JULY

We had a great day, with Roddie's pickup all decorated up and a couple of wheelbarrows full of plants and flowerpot people in attendance. Thanks to everyone who joined in.

As well as Town Team news there's a few other things you might want to know about:

MAGISTRATES COURT CONSULTATION

There's a consultation under way about closing a very long list of Magistrates Courts, including the one in Buxton. The [full proposals are available on the Dept of Justice website](#), people are encouraged to make their views known, the closing date is 8th October.

STATION PLANNING APPLICATION

Friends of Buxton Station have submitted a planning application to install LED lighting to illuminate the fan window. You can see the full details and [comment on the application via the HPBC website](#), the application number is HPK/2015/0376.

POT LUCK PICNIC IN ASHWOOD PARK
SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 12:30-3PM

A Transition Buxton event in part at celebrating the work the Town Team have been doing to regenerate the place. [More information on their website.](#)

As ever there's more information about what the Town Team has been doing on the [website](#) and on our [Facebook page](#).

That's it for now, hope to see you soon,
Janet, Tina, Andy and John,
Your Town Team Communications Team