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LYT-UP

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1 Moorland Parade, Upton, BH16 5JS - 01202 632070

The Town Council's
Help Centre
at Moorland Parade is open
Monday-Wednesday,
9.30am - 13.00pm

If you would like a copy of Lyt-Up sent straight to your inbox, please email deputy@lytchettminsterandupton-tc.gov.uk to be added to the mailing list.

WELCOME TO NEW FACES AT THE TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Council is pleased to welcome two new people to its team. Cllr Charlie Squires was recently co-opted on to the Town Council and will sit on the Amenities Committee.

Paul Merifield joins us as the new Outside Operations Manager. Paul will be overseeing the outside grounds team and managing our open spaces to ensure they are kept to a high standard.



**Cllr Charlie
Squires**



**Paul Merifield
Outside
Operations
Manager**

THINK BEFORE YOU PARK!

The Town Council is receiving an increasing number of complaints regarding inconsiderate parking in the Town. Examples include parking on pavements, grass verges and blocking driveways. Parking on pavements can put people at risk including people with disabilities, older people, children and people pushing prams. It can also cause damage to verges which creates trip hazards and has a negative impact on the appearance of the town. It is also an offence to park a vehicle on the highway verge. So, in the spirit of being neighbourly, please THINK BEFORE YOU PARK.



Christmas Opening



The Town Council office at Moorland Parade will be closed from Friday 23 December, reopening on Tuesday 3 January. During this period phone messages and emails will be monitored

CHRISTMAS PARTY



We will be hosting a Christmas event for all the family on Thursday 15 December hosted from the community centre at St Dunston's Church. Doors open from 6.15pm and starts from 6.30 pm with a performance from Upton Junior School Choir followed by a festive singalong with The Citrus Singers

Jamie Jigsaw will be entertaining the children in the church lounge from 7pm. There will also be a flying visit from Father Christmas.



This is a free event but ticket only to see Jamie Jigsaw. You can get your free tickets via Eventbrite. The QR code takes you directly to the page or call the Town Council office on 01202 632070 to be added to the guest list. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

TOWN FLOODING

Due to the amount of rainfall recently, certain areas of the town have experienced a lot of flooding. This is exacerbated by the Town's clay geology and the autumnal leaf drop preventing adequate drainage. Dorset Council operates a routine and reactive road sweeping programme. If you wish to report a road that requires sweeping, this can be done online via Dorset Council's website or contact the Town Council and we can report this on your behalf.



Sadly, anti-social behaviour continues to impact the town which has a negative effect on our community. Examples of anti-social behaviour include abandoned vehicles, graffiti and fly-tipping. Operation Relentless run by Dorset Police aims to tackle ASB hotspots. This is why it is so important to report all ASB witnessed in the Town so the police are aware and will increase their presence. This can be reported via Dorset Police 101 (phone and website) or via the Town Council. Always call 999 if there is a threat to life.