# Farnham Town Council

# Keeping younger people active and engaged during the holidays

Farnham Town Council has committed £20,000 to help fund a programme of free school holiday activities ranging from sports and arts to educational workshops.

The grants help to ensure that hundreds of young people in Farnham are kept active, engaged, and safe during the holidays. The initiative is designed to support children and teens of all ages, particularly those from financially disadvantaged backgrounds, and provides opportunities for fun and learning.

To find out how to apply for funding for your school holiday activity, visit www.farnham.gov.uk/young-people.

#### Example of a project that received funding in 2024:



Organiser: The Chantrys Community Centre

Grant: £1,500 from the school holiday activity fund

Activity: A summer fair and family fun day.

How the grant made a difference: The grant enabled the organisers to buy a barbeque, food, sports equipment and healthy snacks. They also hired a bouncy castle for the summer fair and a speaker and DJ deck.

Outcome: The organisers were able to offer food to children whose families are struggling financially. Children of different age groups bonded over sport and music and created new friendships.

### Farnham no-interest loan scheme

A no-interest loan scheme is available to Farnham residents and aims to help people survive the ongoing financial crisis. Funded by Farnham Town Council and administered by Boom Community Bank, this scheme offers vital financial support to residents lacking access to conventional credit.

More information about the scheme can be found at https://boomcb.org.uk/loans/farnham-nils.

# **Music in the Vineyard**

Sunday 23 February, 3-5pm Enjoy an afternoon of live music by A-Train at The Vineyard Church on Union Road.

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#### Sunday 30 March, 3-5pm

The Beat Tones will cover classic songs from The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, and the best of the 60s and 70s.

Music in the Vineyard is free to attend thanks to support from sponsor Abbeyfield Wey Valley Society.

# **Grow Your Own**

Allotment plots are now available in Farnham. Enjoy fresh air, home grown produce and connect with nature by joining Farnham's community of allotment holders. Farnham Town Council manages eight allotments at:

• Alderley Farm, West Street • Farnborough Road, off Weybourne Lane • Morley Road • Wrecclesham, off Riverdale • Shepherd and Flock roundabout • Six Bells roundabout. Hale Road • West Street • West Street extension.

Visit www.farnham.gov.uk/allotments to apply for a plot.

## Farnham Literary Festival



Tickets have been released for Farnham Literary Festival (6 to 16 March).

Farnham Town Council has arranged over 50 events ranging from engaging

author talks, creative workshops, conversations, film, live performances and competitions.

The headline speaker is author David Walliams. Also appearing in the opening weekend are, straight out of the jungle, the cleric, broadcaster, and writer, the Reverend Richard Coles along with literary novelist Louis De Bernières (best known for Captain Corelli's Mandolin).

See www.farnhamliteraryfestival.co.uk for details.



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