



Matlock
TOWN COUNCIL

Newsletter

Keeping you up to date with what is happening in your community

Matlock Flood Warden Scheme

Matlock Town Council, working in partnership with Derbyshire County Council Emergency Planning Team and the Environment Agency, has created a Flood Warden Scheme for the Town. Similar schemes have been successfully implemented throughout the country over recent years and moving forward from the November 2019 floods, it seemed appropriate to develop a scheme for Matlock. Councillor Steve Wain is Matlock's first Flood Warden and is keen to recruit others interested in helping to protect our community.

Councillor Wain says *"As we move into Autumn after a relatively wet summer I urge people to be flood aware. I have been communicating with residents and businesses in at risk areas within Matlock, encouraging them to sign up for flood warnings and giving other information about how we can all take action, before, during and after a flood. I ask residents to report any blocked drains to the Highways department, at Derbyshire County Council using Call Derbyshire, on 01629 533190, or if there is an obvious surface blockage, such as leaf litter, clear the top of a kerbside drain, if it is safe to do so."* To sign up for Flood Warnings visit: www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings or call the Floodline: **0345 988 1188**

Councillor Wain has been working with the Environment Agency who have produced a set of Frequently Asked Questions and Information, specifically about Matlock, which provide useful guidance on who to contact and how to stay prepared – this is available on our website:
www.matlock.gov.uk/floods/

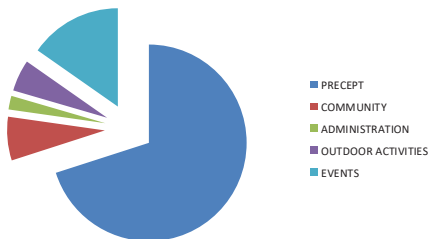


Could you be a community flood warden?

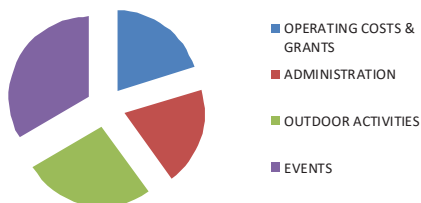
For further information - 01629 583042 or enquiries@matlock.gov.uk

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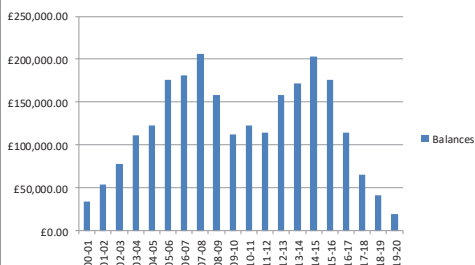
INCOME AT A GLANCE



EXPENDITURE AT A GLANCE



Balances



Celebrating our local traders this Christmas time



It has been a very tough time for local businesses and traders. Many lost trade during the floods and then faced periods of closure due to the pandemic. Those businesses who have reopened have done so in challenging circumstances and with extra costs. Sadly we have seen some of our local businesses close permanently.

The Town Council was keen to get the perspective of a local business owner. Andy Gilbert recently opened 'Gifts and Crafts' and his wife Kirsty owns 'Peak Boutique' - both on Crown Square. He is thankful for the support of local customers in difficult times *"It's been a tough year especially for my wife who not only had to suffer lost trade in the floods but also closure due to COVID 19 and the cancellation of the Christmas market. Peak boutique boasts a large following of over 5000 followers on Facebook built up from mainly local people over the last 6 years and it is this interaction that has kept Kirsty's business afloat. Without the local support of regular customers, the help from the local council in the floods and the understanding landlord I don't think we would be here today. And we are grateful for that. The town has pulled together with local tenants around Crown Square supporting each other"*.

The Council wants to do all it can to support local businesses. Councillor Steve Flitter, Leader of the Council, was disappointed to have to cancel this year's Victorian Matlock Christmas market but is hoping to make plans for a 'Spring Fair' in May 2021 which will look to bring the community together and promote the town. Councillor Flitter, says *"I believe it is very important that Matlock Town Council takes an proactive role in encouraging the recovery of our local economy by understanding and engaging with local people"*.

Robin in Hall Leys Park by Graham Woollven

Just one of the stunning entries we have received for this year's 'Matlock Photographer of the Year' competition.

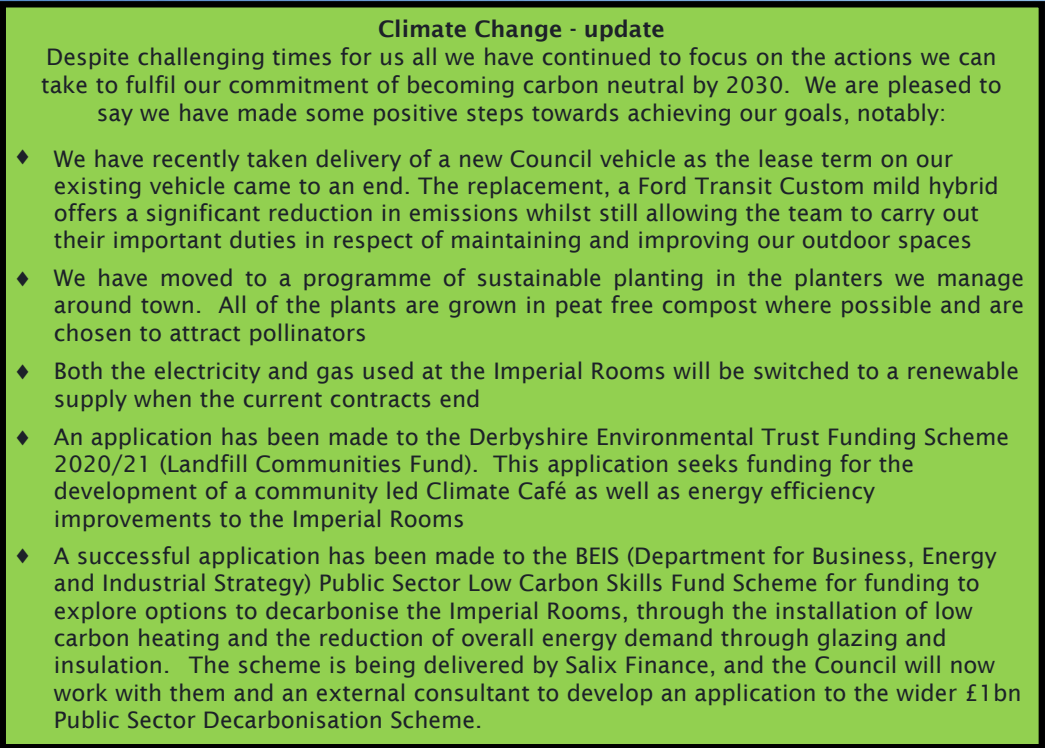


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Emergency Services: In case of an emergency - 999 or 112

Non emergency numbers -

Police: 101 **Fire:** 01332 771221

NHS Direct : 111 **Power cut:** 105

National Domestic Violence Helpline (24hour): 0808 2000 247

Severn Trent Water: 0800 783 4444

Crime Stoppers: 0800 555 111

Tourist Information - Peak Rail Shop: 01629 580381

Citizens Advice: 0300 456 8390

National Rail Enquiries: 03457 48 49 50

East Midlands Airport: 0800 169 7032

Arc Leisure Matlock: 01629 581322

Platform Housing Emergencies: 0333 200 7304

Library: Steep Turnpike 01629 582480

RSPCA: 0300 123 4999

Post Office Customer Services: 0345 611 2970

Flood Line: 0345 988 1188

Childline: 0800 1111

The Samaritans (freephone): 116 123



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A local trader special

Spread the festive cheer - shop locally!

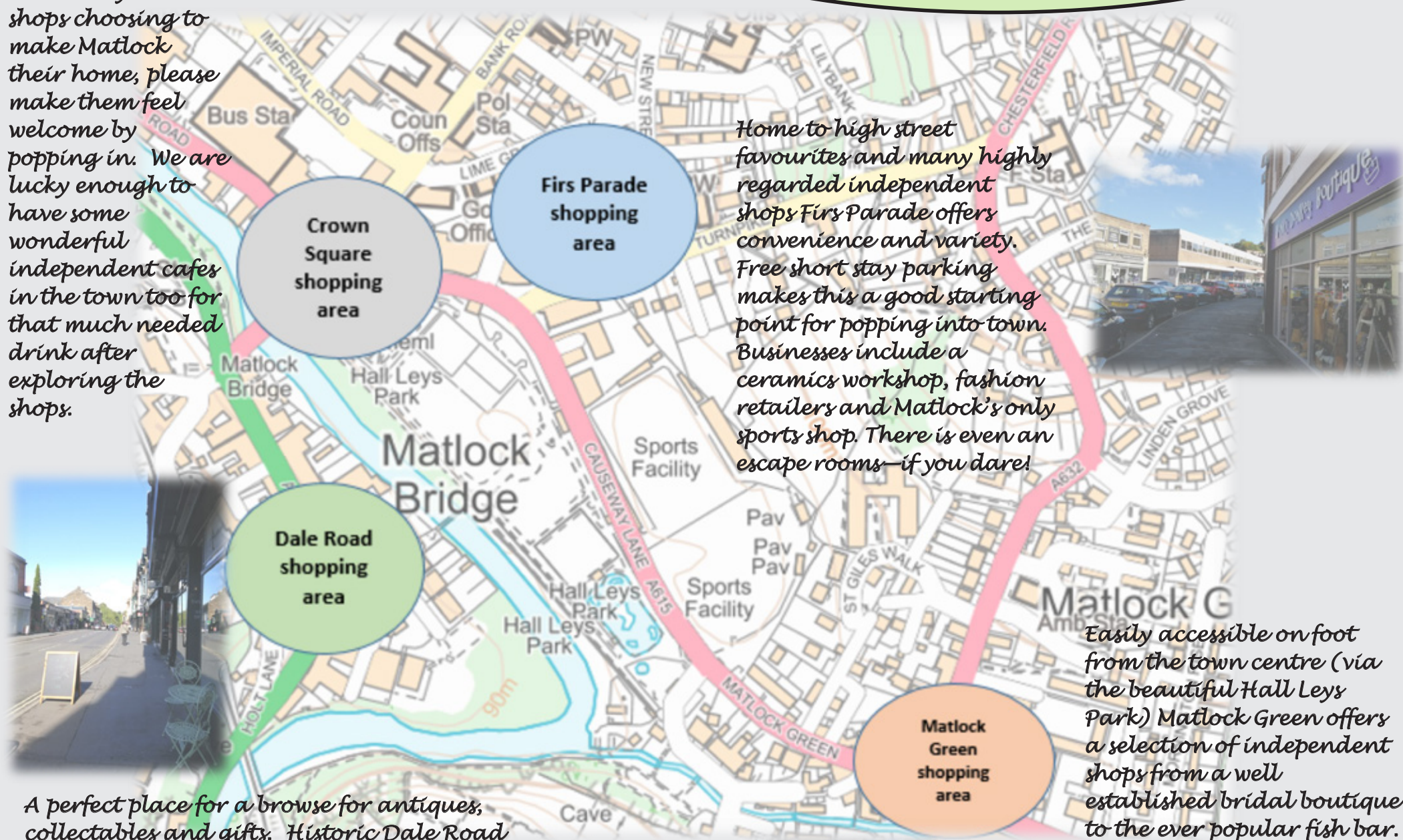
At the time of writing we sadly find ourselves facing another lockdown but we very much hope that it isn't long before we can look forward to brighter days and the upcoming festive period. By shopping locally we can all help local business owners and communities get back up and running following a very challenging year. Supporting our high streets creates jobs in our communities, often allowing young and disadvantaged people to find employment. You may be surprised to see just how competitive the prices are in our local shops. Independent retailers often reward regular customers, while others often provide great deals that can't be found in major outlets. A thriving high street is key to boosting the potential of a town where people can socialise as well as shop. Local shops often source their goods nearby, helping to reduce their carbon footprint. And when shopping locally, people are also more likely to walk or cycle to get there – doing their bit to reduce air pollution, reduce traffic and improve the quality of the nation's high streets. Let's work together to help Matlock thrive!

Bustling Crown Square offers a wide range of shops including some well established Matlock favourites. It has been great to recently see new shops choosing to make Matlock their home, please make them feel welcome by popping in. We are lucky enough to have some wonderful independent cafes in the town too for that much needed drink after exploring the shops.



Smedley Street Special!

Up Bank Road we have the popular local shops of Smedley Street and Smedley Street East. With a thriving butchers, delis and a renowned bike shop this is an area worth a visit.



A perfect place for a browse for antiques, collectables and gifts. Historic Dale Road has a growing reputation as a shopping destination for those looking for something a little bit different. With a variety of restaurants and bars the area has a lovely atmosphere. Don't forget to pop into the Courtyard for some real hidden gems!



Easily accessible on foot from the town centre (via the beautiful Hall Leys Park) Matlock Green offers a selection of independent shops from a well established bridal boutique to the ever popular fish bar.

SHOP LOCAL Matlock Market

The market runs every **Wednesday** in Hall Leys Park from 9am—3pm, featuring a variety of local traders including a greengrocer, baker, fish stall and the popular mobile refills shop. Stalls change regularly with owners Jennie and Graham Knowles keen to support the town and its businesses.

For further info:
matlockmarket@gmail.com



We are delighted that the large Christmas tree in the park has been sponsored by:



With lights kindly supplied by Matlock Electrical Services