



Autumn 2013 Newsletter

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Join in and be part of...

...BUILDING COMMUNITY

GREEN DRINKS on the third Thursday of each month 8.00pm at the Old Mill private dining area. A friendly, open, social evening, to meet people, join in and discuss your ideas.

B-HIVE .. the people of Berkhamsted should lead the potential redevelopment of the central area of our town. **B** is for Berkhamsted; **HIVE** of people, ideas and action. Working together, we can create a space that truly serves its residents' needs and desires.

We are nearing the Saturday 14th September Town Consultation at the Civic Centre site. Share your ideas, listen to inspiring talks from architects, tour the actual site and be entertained by a variety of local artists and performers. Free children's activities will be provided to keep them occupied.



If you'd like to join the B-hive, please email us on info@bhiveberko.org.uk, call John Bell on **07811 379938**, or visit us on [facebook.com/bhiveberko](https://www.facebook.com/bhiveberko)

Also, **A COMMUNITY SPACE IS BEING PUT ASIDE WITHIN THE CIVIC CENTRE** for anyone to use. Same contact details as above if you want to join Age Concern, Dacorum Heritage Trust and others in making the most of this opportunity.

...LOCAL FOOD

Dacorum Local Food Initiative road shows have been an amazing success to date with hundreds of surveys completed, providing insight about what we would like to see happen with our food systems. We need more....please encourage your family, friends and local businesses to have their say by doing the survey on our website at www.dacorumlocafood.org.uk.

We will be holding a local food workshop on **Saturday 9th November 10am until 3pm** to decide which local food projects to work on in 2014. All are welcome and if you would like to be a part of the next exciting phase please email Nicole on info@dacorumlocalfood.org.uk.

SUMA FOOD ORDERS - Get your staples in bulk - it saves on packaging! Worried about storage? You can split your orders with others. Contact Claire 07714094988/ cpaszkiwicz@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY GROWING PROJECT – We have the use of a big polytunnel and an outdoor plot, and we're already in our second season of growing vegetables, herbs and cut flowers. We are six active members, and two or three more would be welcome. Interested? email Bettina at bettina_strickler@lycos.com or call 01442 862843

...ENERGY

Come and join the TTB Energy Group and lead Berkhamsted from the dirty energy of the past to the clean energy of the future. For information about the group or renewable energy technologies in general contact the TTB Energy Group coordinator Robin Williams (robinpaulwilliams@gmail.com). Tel 07466 122768

Events for Your Calendar

Sunday 22nd September 2013, Canal Fields

BIKEFEST

Kids bring your parents! TTB have fired the starting gun on this year's BikeFest, with cycle training & information, cycle buy and sell, repairs, taster rides, local bike shops, and stuff to try and buy. Contact Danny Bonnett on 07795 236402. **Canal Fields, 22nd September, 2pm to 4.30pm**

THE ASHLYNS LECTURES

A Series of Lectures at Ashlyns School
Please arrive at 19:15 for 19:30 start.

16 October 2013

Ian Roberts, author of *Energy Glut*

This touches on many interrelated issues of concern to our community – the environmental crisis, health and quality of life, pollution, road safety, safe cycling, safe streets, local food and shops. We envisage a lively discussion of these issues and how to resolve them.

5 February 2014

Mark Stevenson, comedian and author of *An Optimists Guide to the Future*

A discussion on the technologies of the future and how pragmatic optimism can help change the world.

Booking: <http://transitionberkhamsted.org.uk/calendar/ashlyns-lectures/> or **01442 875964**