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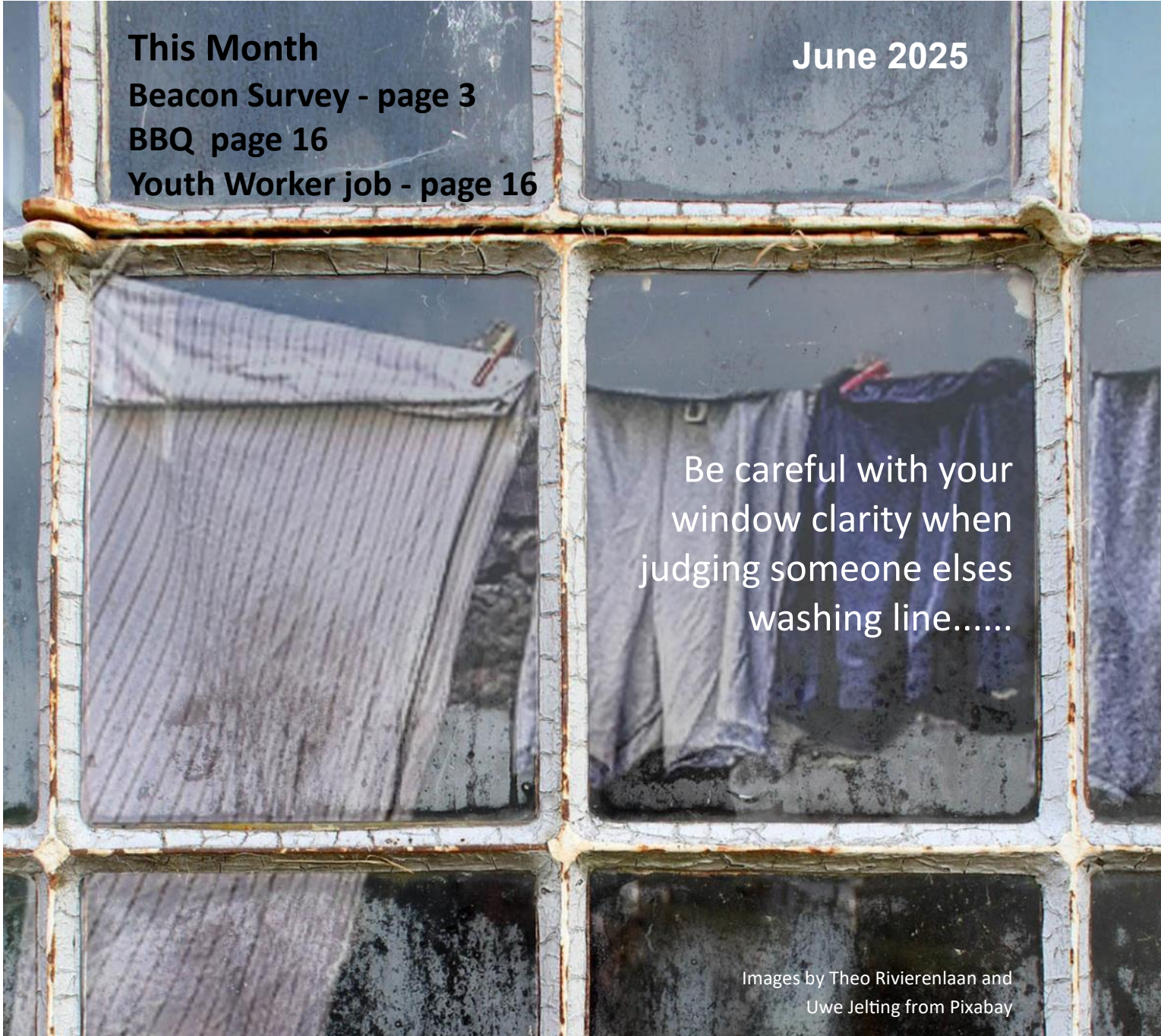
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June 2025



Be careful with your
window clarity when
judging someone else's
washing line.....

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SERVICES & DIARY

SERVICES

(All Services are held at All Saints' Church unless specified)

JUNE 2025

Sunday 1st	8.15am	Book of Common Prayer Communion
	9.30am	Common Worship Communion
	11.00am	Informal All Age Baptism Service
Sunday 8th	9.30am	Common Worship Communion
	11.00am	Informal Service
	7.00pm	Informal Worship and Prayer at St Mark's Church (see below)
Sunday 15th	10.00am	Altogether Service - see page 4
		Informal Service with Communion
Sunday 22nd	9.30am	Common Worship Communion
	11.00am	Informal Service
Sunday 29th	9.30am	Common Worship Communion
	11.00am	Informal Service

JULY 2025

Sunday 6th	8.15am	Book of Common Prayer Communion
	9.30am	Common Worship Communion
	11.00am	Informal All Age Baptism Service



Creative Table

The creative table is available during the 11am service every Sunday for younger children to use during the service.

MEN'S MONTHLY COUNTRY WALK

DATES: Saturday 7th June and 5th July

The Men's Monthly Walk takes place on the 1st Saturday of each month. We start at 7.45am from the car park at Oakmede Shops.

The walk lasts approximately 1 hour.

Be ready for all weathers!

For more information contact Kim Swain on 07894 469633 or kimswain@pm.me

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S WALK

A gentle 2-3 mile walk (which takes about an hour) in and around Binfield village, for women of mixed ages and abilities. Usually on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month.

The walks go ahead in all weathers and normally start at 9am from outside Foxes' Den Café and finish there around 10am for a coffee.

4th June - 9am meet Foxes' Den

18th June - 9am meet Foxes' Den

2nd July - 9am meet Foxes' Den



For more information contact:
Gisele on
07724 889169

THE SILVER SERVICE

A traditional short service designed and led by our retired congregation members followed by a delicious homemade lunch at St Mark's Church.

Tuesday 17th June at 12 noon

If you need a lift, please call Beverly on 07704 437207

DIARY

JUNE 2025

Tuesth	7.30pm	Practice the presence of God at The Rectory
Wed 4th	9.00am	Wednesday Women's Walk
	10.00am	3G Toddler Group at St Mark's Church
	7.00pm	7UP at St Mark's Church
Thurs 5th	7.30pm	Adult Choir practice at St Mark's Church
Sat 7th	7.45am	Men's Monthly Walk
Wed 11th	10.00am	3G Toddler Group at St Mark's Church
	7.00pm	7UP at St Mark's Church
Thurs 12th	7.30pm	Adult Choir practice at St Mark's Church
Tues 17th	12 noon	Silver Service at St Mark's Church
Wed 18th	9.00am	Wednesday Women's Walk
	10.00am	3G Toddler Group at St Mark's Church
	7.00pm	7UP at St Mark's Church
Thurs 19th	7.30pm	Adult Choir practice at St Mark's Church
Wed 25th	10.00am	3G Toddler Group at St Mark's Church
	7.00pm	7UP at St Mark's Church
Thurs 26th	7.30pm	Adult Choir practice at St Mark's Church
JULY 2025		
Wed 2nd	9.00am	Wednesday Women's Walk
	10.00am	3G Toddler Group at St Mark's Church
	7.00pm	7UP at St Mark's Church
Thurs 3rd	7.30pm	Adult Choir practice at St Mark's Church
Sat 5th	7.45am	Men's Monthly Walk

INFORMAL WORSHIP & PRAYER EVENINGS AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH

Join us for an informal evening of worship and prayer, a time to gather together and seek God through praise, worship, and reflection. These evenings will provide a peaceful and uplifting opportunity to connect with God and one another

The sessions, led by Steve Whatley, will take place at St. Mark's on the second Sunday of each month, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The upcoming dates are: June 8th and July 13th

We look forward to welcoming you as we come together in fellowship and prayer.

3G, a group for babies and toddlers, meets **every Wednesday during term time.**

From 10am to 11.30am at St Mark's Church on Popeswood Road, Binfield.

**DATES: 4th, 11th, 18th June and 2nd, 9th, 16th July
(No group 24th June)**



Come and join us for lots of fun, with toys, a story and singing plus refreshments for the little ones as well as the adults. It is an opportunity for everyone to make new friends.

You are assured of a warm welcome. **Christine White and Team**

PRACTICE THE PRESENCE OF GOD

The next month's Practice the Presence of God session takes place on **TUESDAY 3rd June 7.30pm at The Rectory**

This is a time to be still and to practice listening to God and learning to recognise how he speaks to you.



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SURVEY



THE FUTURE OF THE BINFIELD BEACON

- HAVE YOUR SAY



Binfield Church and Binfield Parish Council are considering the future of the Binfield Beacon. Both are committed to communicating with all residents of the Parish as well as possible.

This survey seeks your views, and the results will help us to improve our communications. Please take a few minutes to complete it below.

This form can be emailed to office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk or handed in in person to the Church Office or the Parish Office by 20th June 2025 or you can use the QR code (at the top of the page) to complete it online.

Please note all responses are completely anonymous and no personal data is requested or collated at all. Many thanks

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Please rank each section below with a Tick (5 being most useful - 1 being not at all useful)

	5	4	3	2	1
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5. Do you prefer to use the internet or printed material to find information / read news? PLEASE TICK

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I prefer printed material

6. Finally, please share with us any further comments or suggestions you have below (use an additional page if you need more space)

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR RECTOR



DIRTY LAUNDRY?

A young couple moved into a new house. The next morning, while they were eating breakfast, the young woman saw her neighbour hanging the washing outside.

“That laundry is not very clean, the woman said, “She doesn't know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better soap powder.” Her husband looked on, remaining silent. Every time her neighbour hung her washing out to dry, the young woman made the same comments.

A month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband, “Look, she's finally learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her this?”

The husband replied. “I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows.”

So it is with life. What we see when watching others depends on the clarity of the window through which we look. So don't be too quick to judge others, especially if your perspective of life is clouded by anger, jealousy, negativity, or unfulfilled desires. Judging a person does not define who they are, it defines who you are.

As Jesus reminds us, ***Do to others as you would have them do to you.*** *Luke chapter 6 verse 31.*

Story taken from Instagram. @Futurenowinspiration.

Luke Taylor

Verse of the Month June 2025

For as the soil makes the sprout
come up and a garden causes seeds
to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will
make righteousness and praise
spring up before all nations

CONTRIBUTED BY DAVID ELLIOTT

ISAIAH 61 :11



FATHER'S DAY ALTOGETHER CELEBRATION SERVICE SUNDAY 15TH JUNE 10AM



We warmly invite all congregation members
to join us for an informal band led service
The service will last around 45 minutes
with communion included



From the Registers:

Funeral

Margaret Esther Kincade



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The Church Office is sited in St Mark's Church



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Jill Hanson	tel. 452694
Margareta Hawkins	tel. 411681
Gisele Taylor	tel. 07724 889169
Dave Dawson	tel. 360389

Or contact the church office on 01344 421079
or email office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk



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Praying for and with you

We have weekly prayer sheets — please email
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if you would like something to be included.



Bereavement Support Team

We will all suffer loss, grief or bereavement at some time in our lives, mainly through death, but also in other ways such as relationship breakdown, loss of a job, or sudden disability. The Bereavement Support Team are not counsellors, but can offer support and companionship if you are suffering a loss of any kind. There is no charge for a visit. All support team members have ID badges.

Friday Morning Bereavement Group Coffee Morning

Foxes' Den Café on Fridays 10.30am – 11.30am
(term time only)

Peer to Peer support open to anyone dealing with grief. It is not a counselling group, just a friendly get together over a drink.

If you would like to talk to a member of the team, in confidence, please contact Liz Hall
for more information orinocco@hotmail.co.uk /07850 799434
or Margareta Hawkins 01344 411681

The Binfield Beacon



The deadline for Beacon Contributions for the July issue is

Monday 9th June 2025

Please email:

Beacon@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk
Claire Thomas (Binfield Beacon Editor)

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The Church Care Project:
Funding large building projects
and ad-hoc maintenance work
on our church spaces



General Funds:
Supporting the ongoing costs of
running our churches and services,
including the Parish Share payment
and Youth work

Upcoming Fundraising Events

- Sat 21st June:** Party On the Pitch tea tent.
- 23-29th August:** Eco-Week with Binfield Environment Group
- Sun 14th Sept:** Binfield Church Fete @ St, Mark's Church 11-3pm



Update

What a marvellous May we had! Binfield was bathed in beautiful sun for most of the month, which made for a wonderful back drop to the special VE day celebrations. It also made for yet another lovely day for the **Binfield 10k** - the atmosphere on Foxley Fields and all along the route is always fantastic and this year was no different. We are very grateful to all our volunteers who ran the BBQ and the water station, making a huge contribution to the event. Big thanks also to our **Plant Sale** organisers who put in such a great effort to cultivate so many amazing plant specimens which were available to buy at our wonderful host venue, the Foxes' Den.

This month we will be popping up at **Party On the Pitch** to again offer tea, coffees, cold drinks and some tasty cakes. We'll be keeping our fingers crossed that the great weather continues for everyone and we'd really appreciate any cake donations you might be able to bring along (nut-free please!).

Otherwise, we will be continuing to plan our exciting Eco-Week offerings, which we are working on in an exciting collaboration with the brilliant Binfield Environment Group. Keep an eye on our website for plenty of great activities to keep the whole family busy – and learning - in August.



How to make a donation:

We would really appreciate your donation; however big or small, it will all help!

- **Online:** see our updated 'Giving' pages on the website, with easy links to make a one-off donation: www.binfieldcofechurches.org.uk/giving-page or click on the 'Donate' link on the Home Page.
- **Cheque:** send a cheque to the church office, made payable to "Binfield PCC".
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Don't forget to **Gift Aid** it if you are a UK Tax Payer - this will add an extra 25% to your donation!
Contact the church office for more details, or see the church website more information and other ways to raise money!



With many thanks from the Fundraising Team:

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CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS



Can you help run our tea tent at Party On The Pitch?



Volunteers needed to serve tea & cake or donate delicious bakes



Please contact the Church Office if you can help office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

A yellow poster for Binfield Church Fete 2025. At the top is a sun and colorful bunting. The text 'Binfield Church Fete 2025' is in large, colorful letters. Below it, it says 'Mark your calendars: Sunday 14th September 2025'. The text continues: 'We are getting stuck into organising the 2025 Fete so that it will be a fantastic day for everyone in the community.' It asks for donations for a raffle or silent auction and provides the email 'binfieldchurchfete@gmail.com'. It also lists social media links for 'binfieldchurchfete.co.uk', 'binfieldchurchfete', and 'binfield_church_fete'. The bottom features an illustration of a woman holding a heart, a dog, a girl, and a man grilling food.

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WHEN: Any time

WHERE: Any donations can be dropped at

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Activities



Sat 23rd: Local Nature walk

Tues 26th: Walks for Wellbeing

Weds 27th: Bat Walk

Thurs 28th: Butterfly Walk

Fri 29th: Mini Fair @ the Foxes' Den

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Eco Fair



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The Wokingham Bikeathon event is taking place on Sunday 22 June - the starting point is Cantley Park.

There are 4 different routes that cater for all abilities (15, 26, 36 and 51 miles) around the beautiful Berkshire countryside.

Registration can be done in advance or riders can turn up and register on the day. Families very welcome.

Visit www.wokinghamcycling.club for more information.

Drink stops available. Costs as follows :

Children under 12 = free,

Children aged from 12 to 17 = £5

Children aged from 12 to 17 with a paying adult = free

18 years and over = £20.00

Binfield Tennis Club hosts the Juniors “Road to Wimbledon” competition for a place in the final at the All England Club

For the third year running Binfield Tennis Club hosted the juniors tournament **Road To Wimbledon, the national juniors tennis competition** which is open to juniors (aged 11-14) from clubs and schools and which culminates in a finals day at the All England Club, Wimbledon.



The winners from the tournament in Binfield progress through to the County and/or Area Finals, and then onto the National Finals at Wimbledon.

The weather was glorious for tennis sunny, not too hot and very little wind. 8 girls and 18 boys aged between 10 and 14 years old were competing with the winners progressing to the next round.

Congratulations to all those who took part and the fantastic tennis they played, with special mentions to the winners of the day, Murphea Cox who won the girls' competition and Hayden Davey-Kotchie who won the boys competition.

The attitude and effort showed by all the players and the parents was fabulous and showed exactly what our community tennis club is all about – namely families getting together in the fresh air and enjoying the great game of tennis.

Good luck to Murphea and Hayden in reaching Wimbledon courts in the final!



COMMUNITY NEWS



Hello June!

Hello June, you've come around quickly! The sun is shining and we're ready to embrace the summer season here at The Den. A huge thank you and well done to everyone who took part in the Binfield 10K. Whether you ran, volunteered or cheered from the sidelines, your energy and community spirit were truly inspiring!

Summer at the Den means the return of our 'Foxy Slushie Machine' alongside a fresh menu full of seasonal favourites from toasties and paninis to salads and lighter bites, perfect for warmer days. Our iced coffees are chilled, the milkshakes are flowing and both of our ice cream freezers are packed to the brim, ready for whatever summer brings! Don't forget to check out our community noticeboard when you visit, it's full of exciting events, pop-ups and local happenings. Pop in, say hello and make The Den part of your summer!

Kerrin & Niamh x

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FOXY LUNCHES

If you are struggling to feed yourself or your family at any time, please don't go hungry. These lunch boxes are **FREE** to Binfield Parishioners and we can arrange to have extra supplies delivered if you need them. Call or email in the strictest confidence and we will make sure that you have food on your table. Kerrin 07377048429 hello@foxesden.co.uk



Safety First...

We love all our customers and want everyone to have the best experience whilst in the café - with that in mind please can we remind parents and carers to not let their children run around the café. We have had some close calls with hot drinks and we really don't want to upset our little visitors by calling them out on it in front of everyone else..



JUNE ECO CHURCH WATCH

If you are fortunate, you may catch sight of little owls or barn owls

hunting to feed hungry owlets in the nest or teaching fledglings to hunt for themselves. A friend, who regularly walks her dog at dawn and dusk, the best time for seeing barn owls although they are nocturnal, invited me to wait quietly with her to watch a hunting barn owl. The second evening, we were rewarded by silent wings swooping down to catch a rodent in the field. The reason, Tyto Alba, or the barn owl, has silent flight is to enable it to hear the soft sounds made by small mammals during hunting without being detected by its prey. The soft feathers have a downside. Compared to other birds, the barn owl's feathers are not that waterproof, so they avoid hunting in the rain as wet feathers increase noise and reduce hunting efficiency.

Another friend, who could mimic the short repetitive 'woops' and the sharper 'kiew, kiew' sounds of a little owl successfully, would have a conversation with a resident owl which sat on the gate post separating an apple orchard from her garden. Little owls are diurnal, meaning they are active during the day and, therefore, may be seen hunting in daylight. Named for the Greek goddess of wisdom, Athene Noctus, the little owl, is the smallest owl in Great Britain, measuring only 20 cm in height. It nests in small holes in trees and has been known to nest in redundant rabbit burrows. The owlets are raised between May and July and the nest will have two to five eggs. An interesting fact is that they were introduced to Britain at the beginning of the 19th Century and it is thought the current population stems from country estates in Northampton and Kent.

Do not forget the tawny owl, Strix Aluco. This territorial owl prefers to nest in tree hollows, but it is adaptable to recycled nests previously used by pigeons or crows or even squirrel drays. An early nester, the tawny owl lays eggs in late winter or early spring. It has one brood consisting of two or three eggs, laid every two days or so, making incubation last for around thirty days. One of my fondest memories is seeing the dark outline of a male tawny owl silhouetted against the full moon responding with a wavering 'hoo, hoo' (twoo) to the female's sharper 'ke-wick' (twit.)

Enjoy owl watching!

Kate Ellison-Bourne



COMMUNITY NEWS

The **BINFIELD** **10K**

At the time of writing we are getting really excited to bring the Binfield 10km Road race back for its 8th year.

We have had over 1000 runners enter and there will be more than 2000 people involved on the day – either as runners, marshals, volunteers or spectators. We are pleased to announce that this year we expect to have raised in the region of £16,000 – an amazing amount that will be shared amongst First Days Children’s Charity and all the local groups that help on the day. Every year our marshals are applauded for their amazing support out on route and of course we couldn’t do any of it without our sponsors – **Binfield Parish Council, David Cliff, Interior Resolutions, Waylands, DeanField Homes, Alfa Chemicals, LDR Land Rovers, The Victoria Arms, Advantage Printroom, BW Reed & Son and The Foxes’ Den**. Lastly, we are incredibly grateful to our fantastic community – thank you for your continuing support and patience with the road closures. We will put a more detailed thank you list out in the next Beacon! Thank you from our Committee: Alex Bartlam, Ally Wickham, Claire Murphy, Julie Nixon, Heli Braver, Claire Pascoe, David Legg, Grant Wilson, Kirsty Sizeland and Jo Foster and James Foster. We hope to see you all next year!



Binfield FC  **Party On The PITCH** 

Saturday 21st June 2025
4pm – 10pm, Binfield Football Club

Live music, children’s entertainer, fun and games stalls, licensed bar, BBQ, curry stall, tea tent, ice cream, bouncy castle and inflatable assault course and more!

Tickets on sale now at ticketsource.co.uk/partyonthepitch
Prices: £11/adult, £7/child/senior, Under 3’s go free (ticket required)
Book in advance at £15 to bring your own alcohol or £20 payable on the day
Parking available in advance at £5 per car

Useful information

If you are involved with a **local community group** and would like to run a stall or activity (at no cost), please email us for details. In response to feedback, additional measures to ensure guest safety such as security personnel, bag checks and wrist bands for adults/children will be in place. This will mostly be a cashless event.

www.facebook.com/partyonthepitchbinfield partyonthepitch@1stbinfieldscouts.org.uk

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

News from Binfield Parish Council



Welcome to the June 2025 of Binfield Parish Council News. In this edition, we are looking forward to our upcoming Summer events as well as sharing the latest Parish news.

June 2025

Tuesday 3 June	Amenity Committee	8pm
Tuesday 10 June	Parish Council	8pm
Tuesday 24 June	Planning and Transportation Committee	8pm

Council Committee and Representatives

Following the Annual Council meeting held on Tuesday 13th May 2025 we can confirm the following positions:

Binfield Parish Council Chair: Amanda McLean **Deputy Chair:** Paul Day
Planning and Transport Chair: Steve Collett **Deputy Chair:** Andy Fish
Amenity Committee Chair: Hilary Doyle **Deputy Chair:** Paul Day
Staffing Committee Chair: Ian Leake **Deputy Chair:** Dave Ellis
Urgency Committee Chair: Dave Ellis **Deputy Chair:** Ian Leake

Grant Applications—Are open!

Our community grant applications opened on Friday 30 May 2025 and close on Friday 27 June 2025. Applications forms can be found on our website or pop into the Parish office to pick up a copy of the application form.

The Great Big Green Week 07 -15 June 2025

The Great Big Green Week is the UK's biggest celebration of community action to tackle climate change and protect nature. During the week, communities, schools, businesses, churches, mosques and more join in a wave of support for action to protect the planet. If you would like to get involved in anyway, please do contact us at the Parish Office and we can see what we can do to help. Please keep an eye on our website, social media and noticeboards for any events advertised. Please see the link below to find out more. [The Great Big Green Week](#)

Climate Summit—16 and 18 July

This year the Climate Summit will be held for two days. Wednesday 16 July in the evening, at the Kerith Community Centre and Friday 18 July during the day at Wellington College. For further information please look online at. [Hold the Date - Bracknell Forest Climate Summit - July 2025 - Action Network](#)

Summer of Fun 2025

Various Parish and Town councils are once again holding the Summer of fun events. These are a series of free event days for families in the Borough over the School Summer holiday period and run from 11am-3pm.

Binfield Parish Council's event will be on Friday 25th July 2025 at Farley Wood Community centre RG42 1FW.

Other dates:

Wednesday 30th July – Warfield Parish Council – Warfield Memorial Ground
Wednesday 6th August – Bracknell Town – Great Hollands Recreation Ground
Friday 8th August – Sandhurst Town Council – Sandhurst Memorial Park
Tuesday 12th August – Crowthorne Parish Council – Morgan Recreation Ground
Thursday 14th August – Winkfield Parish Council – Locks Ride Recreation Ground
Wednesday 20th August – Bracknell Town Council – Braybrooke Recreation Ground

Eco Week -23-30 August

Organised by Binfield Environment Group (BEG) they will be linking in with other community groups to offer a range of walks and activities for children and adults. Bank holiday Monday 25th August there will also be an Eco Fair at St. Marks Church from 10am-2pm. Please do keep an eye on our noticeboards, social media and websites for further updates.

Ceri, Amanda, Purveen, Alisa, and Tracey

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Parish Office working hours: 9.00am-1pm Monday to Friday

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Binfield Parish Commemorate VE Day 80

Over the course of a week Binfield Parish put on three events to honour and celebrate VE Day 80.

Sunday 4th May VE/VJ Day 80 Celebration

We had a family fun day at Farley Wood with live music, inflatables and our community groups came together to offer a variety of stalls.



Thursday 8th May VE 80 Beacon Lighting

The official Anniversary of VE Day, we had a Parade around Foxley Fields with the RBL, RNA and our local youth unit groups. We had live singing from the Polka Dots and Binfield Community Choir with refreshments from the Foxes' Den. The Beacon was lit at 9.30pm in line with the National events across the country.



Sunday 11th May Binfield branch of the Royal British Legion 100 years and VE Day Parade.

We processed down Terrace Road South to a Church service at St. Marks. Led by the Bagpiper, Drummer and Bugler. Taking part in the parade were members of the RBL, RNA, Veterans, Acting Serving Officers, and the Binfield youth unit groups colour parties. The Worshipful the Mayor of the Borough of Bracknell Forest, Councillor Jenny Penfold, Joshua Reynolds MP, Binfield Parish Councillors and Reverend Roy Burgees. The parade ended with a military salute outside Binfield Memorial Hall from Major Zabina Holt.



VE Day Decorations

As well as all the events going on our army of volunteers have been out decorating the village. Binfield WI and supporters have decorated Knox Green corner, with over 1500 crocheted poppies. Tracey Devlin made a beautiful post box topper on Terrace Road North and David and Linda Willcocks decorated the diamond to commemorate VE Day and 100 years of Binfield RBL. We hope you enjoy seeing them while you are out and about.



We would like to say a big thank you to everyone that has helped to celebrate VE Day 80. We have a fantastic community and without all your help and support we would not be able to put the events on that we do.

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