Emersons Green Town Council

Newsletter June 2025



As June draws to a close, Emersons Green Town Council brings you some of the recent highlights we have shared and exciting opportunities for the next quarter



Join us for free coffee mornings and citizens advice support

Emersons Green Town Council organises a **free weekly Coffee Morning** every **Thursday** at **10am** at **Emersons Green Village Hall**, with opportunities for residents to access free, confidential support from Citizens Advice. This welcoming event is designed to foster community connection in a relaxed setting, offering complimentary hot beverages and cake.

In partnership with the Town Council, **Citizens Advice** are available at two locations for drop-in sessions, providing residents with expert guidance on a range of issues:

- Thursdays, 10am-12pm at Emersons Green Village Hall (during the Coffee Morning)
- Mondays, 10am–12pm at Lyde Green Community Centre

These initiatives aim to provide a safe and friendly space for the community to gather, share experiences, and seek professional advice. **Everyone is welcome!**





Events, local grants and collaborations

Throughout the year, Emersons Green Town Council organises a diverse range of events for the community, while also supporting local groups by providing funding grants and collaborating on their own events and projects. We also have a dedicated team of volunteers who support us in enhancing the community for all.



New Children's Area Now Open at Emersons **Green Library!**



The vibrant new children's area is now open — with 750 new books, fun furniture, and interactive projectors all funded through Section 106 contributions to support our growing community Read more here! Special thanks to children's poet Alex Wharton, who shared poems and writing tips at the launch event with young readers from Emersons Green Primary School. We are also pleased to share that with funding from Emersons Green Town Council the library is able to continue running Storytime, Rhymetime, and Mini Builders.

Spring gathering





A huge thank you to everyone who came along and made the Spring Gathering such a special day! It was fantastic to see our community come together to enjoy the sunshine, stalls, music, and activities.

Community nature reserve

In May, we proudly celebrated the second anniversary of our Community Nature Reserve! This initiative has flourished, with over 200 gardens now registered, showcasing the dedication of our local community in preserving and enhancing our natural environment and biodiversity.



Register by scanning the QR or click here







We're thrilled to welcome Shea Stew as the newest member of our team, stepping into the role of Youth Liaison Officer.

Shea is a passionate youth advocate with a strong track record of empowering young people. Shea brings energy, creativity, and experience to lead our youth programs, with a focus on youth voice, sustainable growth, and community impact.

"I'm excited to join an organisation that values youth leadership. I look forward to working with a dedicated team and, most importantly, connecting with young people to create spaces where they can thrive." Please join us in warmly welcoming Shea — we're confident he'll be a fantastic addition and make a lasting impact in our community.

If you'd like to discuss youth opportunities with Shea, please go to our youth Facebook page by scanning the QR code, CLICK

HERE or contact:

shea.stew@emersonsgreen-tc.gov.uk





The Community Places Co-ordinator for South Gloucestershire extended her thanks to Emersons Green Town Council for their vital support in match funding the project.

"Without your generous contribution," she said, "we may not have been able to proceed with this replacement this year."



NEW Emergency Bike Repair Kit

Emersons Green Town Council offices now have a handy repair kit full of all the essentials, to help cyclists have a speedy return to the road if they get a puncture (office hours only). Thank you South Gloucestershire Council for the donation.

Litter champion scheme

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our Litter Champions for their hard work and encourage more residents to join this initiative.

Please join us in making a difference at https://emersonsgreentc.gov.uk/litter-champions/





VE Day 80 Coffee morning

Emersons Green Town Council hosted a special coffee morning at Emersons Green Village Hall to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of VE Day on 8th May. On this day in 1945, Victory in Europe was declared, marking the end of World War II in Europe.

We took this moment to honour the bravery, sacrifice, and resilience of all who served and those on the home front.





Other events and activities we've supported:

Seniors lunch club at Emersons Green Village Hall Armed Forces Day and Mangotsfield Village Festival

Earthfest 2025



A month-long calendar of events celebrating our connection with the earth. Hosted by Friends of Emersons Green Park.



From incredible acrobatics, a laser show, to a hilarious clown, there was something for everyone to enjoy at Paulo's Circus on Rodway Hill. A brilliant evening of fun for the whole family.!



"Amazing show, loved every minute!"

Paulo's Circus



Free Community Film Emersons Green Town Screening

Emersons Green Town
Council hosted a free
screening of My Friend
Who Died – a
documentary by
filmmaker James Harris,
telling the story of Jamie
Clapp, a young boy from
Mangotsfield who
tragically lost his life in a
light aircraft accident.
Jamie's legacy lives on
through the skatepark
named in his memory,
and this film is a tribute to
the impact he had on

those around him.

Screening My Friend Who Died The Story of Jamie Clapp



Coming up...

We have lots of exciting things planned for the Summer holidays, so keep an eye on our website and social media for updates and how to get involved!



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Ham Farm Festival











Ham Farm Festival is an exciting annual festival with music for every taste in a stunning half-acre private garden in Emersons Green. 2025 will be the fifth year of the Festival. Ham Farm Festival is a charity run on a voluntary basis by two local professional musicians Emily and Francisco Correa. For more information and to buy tickets, visit www.hamfarmfestival.com

Project Sandbox Future Voices: A Summer



Podcast Project for Young People. Inclusive Change At Work CIC, in partnership with Emersons Green Village Hall and proudly funded by Emersons Green Town Council,

invites young people aged 16-24 across South Gloucestershire to join Future Voices: The Summer Sessions — a creative, inclusive podcast project exploring careers, community, and real-life stories from Emersons Green. Find out more here

Free Youth DJ Workshops!







Emersons Green Town Council is launching a series of free DJ workshops for young people this August, led by newly appointed Youth Liaison Officer, Shea. The workshops will run on various dates at Emersons Green Village Hall and Lyde Green Community Centre, offering young people the chance to learn DJ skills, get creative, and connect with others in the community.

No experience is needed — just an interest in music or curiosity to try something new. Shea also welcomes attendees to drop in for a chat about what opportunities they'd like to see for young people locally.

Photography competition

Capture the beauty of the great outdoors! Enter our Nature Photography Competition and showcase your best shots of local wildlife, landscapes, and the natural world. Whether you're a seasoned photographer or just love snapping pictures on your walks, we'd love to see your entries! Send us your best natureinspired photos for a chance to be featured in the 2026 calendar. More information can be found on our website under the "Things to do" tab, or CLICK HERE

