



# NEWSLETTER

## TADLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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### Meetings of the Council

22 February – Highways & Planning

1 March – Full Council

6 March – Annual Town Meeting

29 March – Highways & Planning

6 April – Recreation & Leisure

12 April – Finance & General Purposes

27 April – Highways & Planning

4 May – Full Council

24 May – Highways & Planning

7 June – Recreation & Leisure

14 June – Finance & General Purposes

28 June – Highways & Planning

Meetings are being held via Zoom and start at 7.30pm. Members of the Public are welcome to attend.

The meeting link can be found on the agendas.

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Abandoned Cars 01256 844844

Fly Tipping 01256 844844

Street Lighting 0800 506 060

Highways 0300 555 1388

Allotments 0788 168 6351

CAB 03444 111 306

Hampshire County Council  
0300 555 1375

Basingstoke Council  
01256 844844

Swimming Pool 0118 9817818

West Berks Council  
01635 42400

## Council Tax

At the Full Council meeting held on 4 January 2021, Tadley Town Council agreed to set the precept at £186,466. This is the same as last year but because the council tax base (the total number of dwellings in the Borough converted into band D equivalent properties) has decreased, there will be a small increase in the Council Tax payable to the Town Council. This means each band D household in Tadley will pay £45.30 for the services provided by the Town Council in the year 2020/21. Last year a band D property paid £44.94.

## You Decide!

We have sadly taken the decision to postpone the You Decide event that is usually held at the Annual Town Meeting due to the on-going Coronavirus situation. We have had a look at ways of holding the event online but have been unable to find an inexpensive and secure remote voting system. We are hoping to hold the event later in the year when restrictions are lifted and the vaccination program is underway.

## Litter Picking, Pavement and Road Sweeping

Do you know of an area that needs attention? If so please let us know.

## Town Council Office

The office is currently closed to the public but we are contactable by phone on 0118 9813360 and by email [clerk@tadleytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tadleytowncouncil.gov.uk) Face to face appointments are also available (post lockdown), just contact us to arrange a date and time.



## How to Get Advice from Us During Coronavirus

We are still here and working. To lower the risk to staff, volunteers and the people who come to us for help, our offices are closed to the public and our advisers are working remotely. The best way to get advice is via phone and email. We are still providing support with all advice issues including benefits, employment, debt, housing, relationships and consumer problems and we have regularly updated information on coronavirus and how new regulations may affect clients.

Our specialist caseworkers are still able to help with new benefit claims and appeals, support for cancer patients and their families, and debt issues. We are still issuing food bank vouchers as Tadley Foodbank are continuing to support families by delivering food, and we also have access to various winter fuel schemes.

You can ring us direct on 0118 981 7567 or email us [admin@tadleycab.cabnet.org.uk](mailto:admin@tadleycab.cabnet.org.uk) or post documents to CA Tadley, 2 Franklin Ave, Tadley, RG26 4ET and an adviser will contact you.

For general advice visit our website [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) where you can also chat to an adviser online or ring Adviceline on 03444 111 306 For help claiming Universal Credit, phone 0800 144 8 444 or textphone 18001 0800 144 8 444

## Clothing and Glass Banks

With charity shops closed and some of the clothing banks not being emptied currently, please store items at home rather than leaving by the clothing bank or outside the charity shops. Clothing left outside often ends up wet and in a poor condition.

Those using the glass banks at bring sites, if the containers are full please take your glass home with you and store it until your next glass collection. It should not be left on the floor at the bring site as this is fly-tipping and you could face a fine. Residents can order an extra glass box for their kerbside collections at [www.basingstoke.gov.uk/replacement-bin](http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/replacement-bin)



### 1 BED FLAT, 1st FLOOR

(generally intended for someone over 50 years of age)

at

### MOTHES HOUSE, THE GREEN, TADLEY

Unfurnished non-smoking property available to people who have resided in the parish of Tadley for not less than two years. (No pets)

For an application form please contact:  
**07881686351 or [nickibarry@hotmail.com](mailto:nickibarry@hotmail.com)**

## Tadley Cemetery

Tadley Town Council knows that this facility is very much appreciated by our residents and non-residents and therefore we need to plan ahead to find and provide some more space for full burials (we currently have adequate space for ashes plots). We have made some enquiries regarding some land near to the existing cemetery but have not made any progress with this.

We have sought initial legal advice regarding how we move forward and have been advised that the Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 and the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 do not permit a local council to compulsorily purchase land. However, under S125 of the Local Government Act 1972 a local council may request the relevant principle authority (in our case Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council) to compulsorily purchase land on its behalf if it is unable to acquire it by agreement and on reasonable terms. Tadley Town Council will need to specify the power which allows it to seek a compulsory purchase of the land, which it can, as it is a burial authority under the Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1977.

Tadley Town Council is mindful that the sourcing of suitable land for a cemetery can be a long process and we need to start this now to avoid the situation we were in 20 years ago where we almost ran out of space in the old burial ground and we had to refuse non-residents the right of a full burial.

We would welcome any ideas or suggestions that could help us please.

## SELF ISOLATING OR SHIELDING?

If you need help collecting prescriptions or shopping please call or email the Tadley Hub who have volunteers ready to help.

**0118 9814538**

**[admin@tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk](mailto:admin@tadleycommunitycentre.org.uk)**

Are you or someone you know facing food poverty due to COVID but do not meet the criteria for food bank? If so please get in touch TDCA is able to organise food parcels to help you through this difficult time.

If you're feeling lonely please know you are not alone, call us on the above number and we can arrange for telephone friendship services.

**Tadley and District Community Association**  
**Charity Number 301736**