

July 2025



SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Welcome

As summer begins to bloom across our community, we're pleased to bring the latest updates, events, and local news from around the parish. Whether you're new to the area or a long-term resident, we hope you find this newsletter informative, helpful and a reflection of the vibrant community we're part of.



www.springfield-pc.gov.uk
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MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

July 2025

The parish council and planning committee meets on the first Monday of every month; agendas are available on our website or notice boards. Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings and may address the council at the start of the meeting during a public session.

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Chair of Council, Personnel Committee,
Environment & Planning Committee

Cllr. Ian Fuller

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Member of Parish Council, Personnel
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Cllr. Natacha Dudley

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Committee

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Chair Premises Committee, Personnel
Committee

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City Councillor, Member of Parish Council,
Premises Committee

Chelmsford City Councillors

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Richard Lee - *The Lawns*

Ian Fuller - *Springfield North*

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MEET THE TEAM:

July 2025

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Springfield Parish Council Clerk
& Responsible Finance Officer.

Maisie Kingston

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Billy Magee

**Cleaning
Supervisor**

Nick Watts

**Cleaning
Supervisor**

Rachel Bracey

Cleaner

Paul Little

Cleaner

YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

We're gathering feedback on the Springfield Parish Centre, Parish Council and our community newsletter. Let us know what you love, what could be better, and how we can serve you more effectively!

Send your feedback to our email:

enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk



If you wish to see Springfield Parish Council's future plans please visit the action plan on our website.

www.springfield-pc.gov.uk

We're looking for enthusiastic newsletter distributors aged 16 and over. If you are interested please contact:

clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk

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It has been a challenging year for Springfield Parish Council. In August 2024 our Clerk resigned and since then we have had a Locum Clerk in place on a limited number of hours. This has naturally meant that the normal high standard of service we strive to achieve has suffered in some areas. The Council is delighted to announce the appointment of Karen Kuderovitch as its permanent Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer. She brings with her a wealth of experience, having been Clerk to Parishes within Essex and beyond for well over 20 years, and she is immensely looking forward to enhancing the Council and its links with the local community. A very warm welcome from us all at Springfield, Karen!

Upon a directive from Chelmsford City Council, we continue to strive to very soon come to a satisfactory conclusion of the separation of Springfield Parish Council and Chelmer Village Council. This has not been an easy process, with some unavoidable and some unfortunate outcomes.

An example of the positives we have achieved on our resident's behalf:

- Replaced new side boiler and piping to fix heating issues
- Painted 90% of the building's interiors
- Car park gate installed to secure and prevent anti-social behaviour.
- Installed bollards to improve parking risks and problems
- Had new burglar alarm installed that now virtually saves money on callout charges
- Installed new partition to keep offices safe and secure.
- Replaced phone contract with better system and saving money
- Ceased outsourcing floor mat maintenance and brought in-house, saving close to £1,000
- On-going upgrade on lighting from old bulb type to led creating savings over time.
- Reviewing all policies and procedures and development of an Action Plan.

Community Engagement

On the 21st of December, after weeks of planning and hard work, we put together the Springfield Parish Centre Christmas Party. Just over 100 people, including children and families, attended the event throughout the day. There were snacks, refreshments, music from our resident DJ and Café owners Wayne and Maxine. There was a craft table set up including Christmas colouring, tree decoration making and Santa stop here signs. 1st2Bounce very kindly donated a huge bouncy castle and slide, and the Parish Centre elves decorated and prepared Father Christmas' Grotto so that the children could visit Father Christmas and receive a present. Our special thanks to Maisie and Bella for their great efforts.

The event was a huge success, with lots of positive feedback from those that attended. They particularly appreciated the opportunity to take their children out for a Christmas activity that did not cost hundreds of pounds and helped to bring a sense of community back into the Parish. The Council plans to repeat this event for Christmas 2025.

The Council has plans for better community engagement across all levels. Further plans for this will be forthcoming together with an Action Plan so residents can see what we are planning and be able to input any ideas. The Springfield Centre continues to thrive and is the heart of the Springfield Community.

The Council launched a new web site in April 2025 which we hope residents find easier to navigate and we are in the process of loading as much information as we can for residents to peruse.

Planning matters are considered regularly by our Committee and the Council now has delegated powers which means that all planning applications received will be able to be commented on, in the event that a Planning meeting cannot be facilitated.

Finance

The Council has plans for community improvements and allocations have been made to budgets for this to happen. We are currently busy preparing for internal and external audit. The website finance page will be updated as soon as we can with all the financial details on where and what the funds are allocated to and spent on.

Staff

There have been unavoidable staffing changes as a result of the separation from Chelmer Village Council. The Council thanks everyone involved for their hard work and commitment.

Residents are welcome to attend any Council or Committee meetings as there is always a public session set aside for this purpose. Alternatively, you can come in and meet with the Clerk (by appointment).

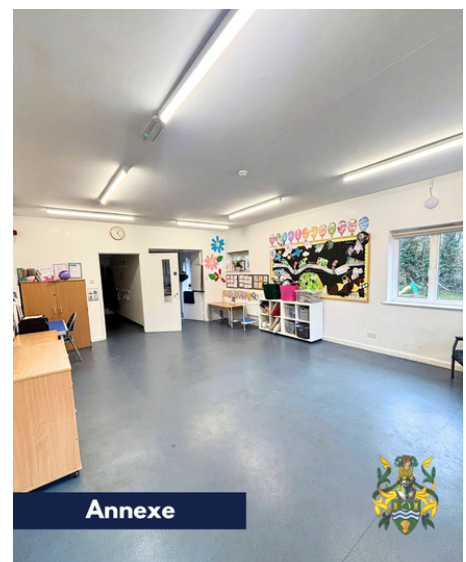
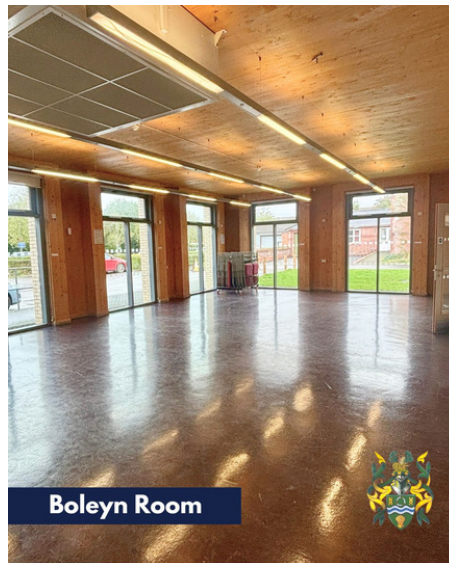
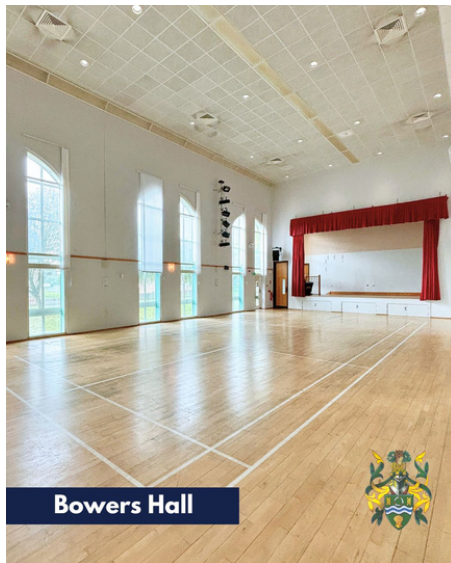
The Council looks forward to a more positive year.

Cllr. R. Carson, Chair

Springfield Parish Council

HALL'S TO HIRE:

July 2025



*St. Augustine's Way, Springfield, Chelmsford,
Essex, CM1 6GX*

If you would like to hire one of our halls for your party, function or club please contact:

Tel. 01245 - 464583

Email. enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk

Web: www.springfield-pc.gov.uk



WHAT'S ON:

Please note that some activities do not run during in the school holidays. Please check with the relevant club to confirm and book your place.

Monday

Time	Club	Contact
08.00 - 16.00	Tiddlywinks Pre-School	Zoe Perry Tiddlywinks123@btinternet.com 01245 463245
09:00 - 14:00	Hartbeeps	Victoria Purton chelmsford@hartbeeps.com
10:00 - 12:30	MS Monday Club (Multiple Sclerosis group)	Ann Davis brentwoodchelmsford@mssociety.org.uk
12:45 - 14:45	Yoga	Kim Foster kimfoster@btinternet.com 01245477136
15:15 - 18:45	Kumon Maths & English	Irene chelmsfordnorth@kumon.co.uk 07534812489
17:00 - 18:30	6th Springfield Brownies	office@girlguidingsexne.org.uk
18:10 - 19:10	Little Yoga Studio	www.littleyogastudio.co.uk
18:30 - 20:30	6th Springfield Guides	office@girlguidingsexne.org.uk
19:15 - 21:15	Al-Anon	www.al-anonuk.org.uk
19:30 - 21:30	Springfield Art Group	Norman Preece 01245 420637
20:00 - 22:30	Springers Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Society	Jackie Bates rjbates@gmail.com
20:30 - 22:30	Badminton	Duncan Jarvis trekduncan@gmail.com 07834391775

Tuesday

Time	Club	Contact
08.00 - 16.00	Tiddlywinks Pre-School	Zoe Perry Tiddlywinks123@btinternet.com 01245 463245
09:00 - 11:00	Tappy Toes	Charlotte Browne charlotte@tappytoes.com 07917525087
09:45 - 11:45	Yoga	Kim Foster kimfoster@btinternet.com 01245 477136
13:15 - 15:45	Bingo (SPC afternoon club)	Duncan Lumley samcat11@virginmedia.com
17:00 - 19:00	Yoga	Lisa Hands lisa@lisahandsyoga.com 07932637896
18:30 - 20:30	Be Encouraged Wellness	Ola Adamolekun beencouragedwellness@gmail.com
18:00 - 19:00	Tots & Tails Care (every other Tuesday)	Naomi Ritchie naomi.ritchie1@outlook.com
18:45 - 20:45	Aerobics	Jose Childs keepfitwithjose@yahoo.co.uk 07876016943
19:30 - 21:30	Bobbin Along - Lace making classes	Sandra Watson sandrawatson14@talktalk.net
20:00 - 22:00	Wing Chun Kung Fu	Mark Solomons marksolomonssifu@gmail.com

Wednesday

Time	Club	Contact
08.00 - 16.00	Tiddlywinks Pre-School	Zoe Perry Tiddlywinks123@btinternet.com 01245 463245
09:00 - 11:00	Tappy Toes	Charlotte Browne charlotte@tappytoes.com 07917525087
10:00 - 12:00	Provide CIC - Healthy Balance	03031231177
15:15 - 18:45	Kumon Maths & English	Irene chelmsfordnorth@kumon.co.uk 07534812489
17:30 - 20:00	Scottish Highland Dance	Sharon Harper sharon.radcliffe@googlemail.com
18:00 - 20:00	Off Springers (juniors)	Jackie Bates rjbates@gmail.com
19:30 - 21:30	Springfield Craft Club	Ginny coochginny7@gmail.com
19:30 - 22:30	Springfield Camera Club	Colin grumpyhumpy@myyahoo.com
20:15 - 22:45	Springers Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Society	Jackie Bates rjbates@gmail.com

Thursday

Time	Club	Contact
08.00 - 16.00	Tiddlywinks Pre-School	Zoe Perry Tiddlywinks123@btinternet.com 01245 463245
10:15 - 12:15	Alzheimers Society (October - March)	Nicola Wallace nicola.wallace@alzheimers.org.uk
10:15 - 12:15	Yoga	Kim Foster kimfoster@btinternet.com 01245 477136
13:00 - 16:00	Bowls (SPC afternoon club)	Duncan Lumley samcat11@virginmedia.com
13:00 - 14:00	Tappy Toes	Charlotte Browne charlotte@tappytoes.com 07917525087
15:30 - 18:00	Little Stars Theatre School	Vicki backstage.littlestars.co.uk
19:15 - 21:15	Karate	Tim Shaw timshaw499@hotmail.com
19:15 - 21:45	Chelmsford City Communicators	h.bekmanis@gmail.com
19:40 - 21:40	Line Dancing (beginners/mixed ability)	Tracy Attwood tracy.attwood@sky.com

Friday

Time	Club	Contact
08.00 - 16.00	Tiddlywinks Pre-School	Zoe Perry Tiddlywinks123@btinternet.com 01245 463245
09:00 - 12:00	Baby Ballet	Charlotte O'Connell babyballet.co.uk 07534260067
09:00 - 11:00	Little Athletes Chelmsford	Rob Burdge littleathletes-chelmsford@hotmail.com
15:45 - 19:30	The Weston School of Dancing and Performing Arts	office@theweston.dance
12:30 - 14:30	Prayer group	Hossain Hadi hossain_hadi@yahoo.com
13:00 - 16:00	Tea Dance (SPC afternoon club)	Duncan Lumley samcat11@virginmedia.com

Saturday

Time	Club	Contact
08.45 - 13.15	Kumon Maths & English	Irene chelmsfordnorth@kumon.co.uk 07534812489
09:00 - 11:00	Tappy Toes	Charlotte Browne charlotte@tappytoes.com 07917525087

Sunday

Time	Club	Contact
10:00 - 14.00	Bethel Assembles of God	churcherkim@yahoo.com

CAFÉ

It is with regret that the café in the Springfield Centre closed on Friday 13th June. The Council is currently considering its future use and are passionate about ensuring residents have a place to come and meet for a cuppa and socialise. If any resident has an idea for the future use then please contact the Clerk, Karen Kuderovitch on 01245 466313 or clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk.

A photograph of three children playing in a park. A girl with brown hair in a yellow shirt is on the left, a boy in a red shirt is in the center, and a boy with blonde hair in a blue shirt is on the right, reaching out. They are all smiling. The background shows green trees and a blue sky.

Play in the
Park

Join us for lots of **fun, games & activities**

Springfield Parish Centre

10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

Wednesday 13th August

Extras - Soft Play Zone, Kids Kingdom,
Fun Fair Games and Crazy Golf

Tuesday 19th August

Extras - Inflatable Kids Kingdom,
Battle Arena and Assault Course

E csaw@chelmsford.gov.uk

T 01245 606569

f /playchelmsford
chelmsford.gov.uk/play

The internal and external audit is currently being undertaken for the financial year 2024/2025. The Precept for 2025/2026 requested from Chelmsford City Council was £238,602, which was a 5% increase on the previous year. The Parish Council always strives to ensure best value, but sometimes this is difficult to achieve with the ever-increasing costs.

The Parish Council now has an action plan and we will be looking at allocating our reserves to community projects. The Finance & Strategy Committee was dissolved at the Annual Council Meeting of 12th May 2025. All finance will now be considered at the full Council Meetings.

We have a finance page on our new web site which we will soon be loading lots of various financial information.

Bank Reconciliation

This reconciliation should include all bank and building society accounts, including short term investment accounts. It must agree to Box 8 in the column headed "Year ending 31 March" in Section 2 of the AGAR – and will also agree to Box 7 where the accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Name of smaller authority: Springfield Parish Council

County area (local Councils and Parish meetings only):

Financial year ending 31/03/25

Prepared by (Name and role): Maisie Kingston

Date: 23/04/25

Balance per bank statements as at 31/03/25	£	£
Business Premium Account	£37,527.07	
CCLA	£297,519.94	
Current Account	£50,000.00	
		£385,047.01
Petty Cash		£82.85
Less: any unpresented cheques		£0.00
Add: any uncleared effects		£0.00
Net balances as at 31/03/25 (Box 8)		£385,129.86



Chelmsford City Council

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Civic Centre

Duke Street

Chelmsford

Essex

CM1 1JE

www.chelmsford.gov.uk

Examples of responsibilities:

- Planning
- Waste collection & Recycling
- Reporting an overflowing litter or dog bin
- Environment & Public Health – i.e. noise pollution
- Housing & Benefits
- Council Tax
- Parks & Allotments



Essex County Council

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Chelmsford,

CM1 1GG

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Examples of responsibilities:

- Adult & Social Care
- Children, young people & families
- Schools & learning
- Roads, streets and transport – report an issue with roads/pavements
- Public Rights of Way

Coming Soon to Springfield: Huggles Hub!

Get ready for a cosy, calm space where families connect, play, and grow together. A warm community awaits you – perfect for bonding, laughter, and meaningful moments.

📍 Opening soon – stay tuned!

📱 Follow us on Instagram [@huggles.hub](https://www.instagram.com/huggles.hub) for updates

📅 Booking is required

**1st August 2025 in the Springfield
Parish Centre Café**



COUNCILOR VACANCY:

July 2025

Are you passionate about your local area? Do you want to help shape the future of Springfield? We're looking for enthusiastic and community-minded residents to join Springfield Parish Council as Parish Councillors.

What Does a Parish Councillor Do?

Parish Councillors play a vital role in:

- Representing the views of local residents
- Supporting local events, facilities, and community groups
- Making decisions on local services, planning, and improvements
- Helping to shape a better, brighter future for our parish

You don't need to be a politician or have previous council experience - just a genuine interest in local life and a willingness to get involved. Training and support will be provided.

If you're 18 or over and live or work in Springfield, you could be eligible to serve.

If you'd like to find out more, or express your interest, please contact:

clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk

Visit: www.springfield-pc.gov.uk

Or pop into the Parish Office during open hours. Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm.

COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICER DROP-IN SESSIONS:

Come and meet your local Community Police Officers at Springfield Library. Pop in for a chat regarding local police and community issues.

24th July - **11am - 12pm**

28th August - **11am - 12pm**

25th September - **11am - 12pm**

