

September 2025

SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



Welcome

As the days grow shorter and a crisp chill starts to fill the air, we're pleased to bring the latest updates, events, and local news from around the parish. Whether you're enjoying the vibrant colours of autumn or preparing for the quieter winter months, we hope you find this newsletter informative, helpful, and a reflection of the warm and resilient community we're proud to be part of.



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MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

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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Billy Magee
**Cleaning
Supervisor**

Nick Watts
**Cleaning
Supervisor**

Rachael 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.

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New bus shelter has been
installed on Brackeden Drive.



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CLERK'S REPORT:

KAREN KUDEROVITCH

I have been at Springfield Parish Council for 5 months now and am thoroughly enjoying the role and the challenges the role brings. During this time, with the support of the staff and Councillors we are making progress in many areas and will continue to do so.



Springfield Community Centre

Internal

We are currently seeking quotations for improvements to the centre, to include re-decoration, a replacement kitchen for the nursery and new blinds. We are continuing to explore options to re-open the café.

Car Park

The white lines in the car park will be soon re-painted and we will add 2 more planters with flowers.

Footpaths

We are making enquiries with Essex County Council about the condition of footpaths close to the centre.

Staff Office

In September 25, the staff located downstairs will be moving upstairs to utilise our space more efficiently and create a team environment for staff. Visitors who need assistance will now be asked to visit us upstairs (we have a lift) and there is a welcome window and a buzzer to call. Please be patient, as sometimes we are on calls and cannot attend immediately. This will enable Council to discuss ideas for the use of the downstairs office.

Councillor Vacancies

We have had some interest in the role, so we hope to be able to co-opt new Councillors soon to make the Council the full complement of 12.

Residents are welcome to join any of the Council meetings and address the Council in the public session.

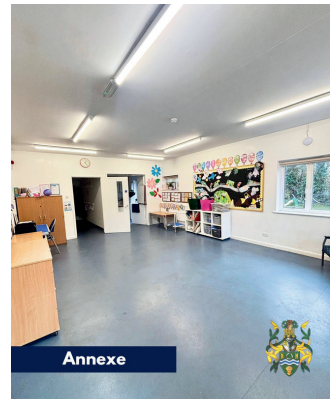
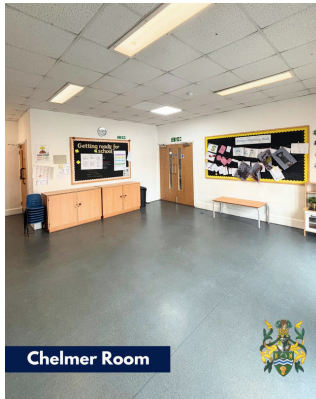
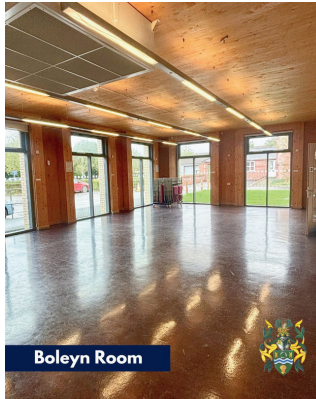
Alternatively, you can email the following members of staff:

Karen Kudervitch, Parish Clerk & RFO clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk

Maisie Kingston, Finance & Assistant Clerk finance@springfield-pc.gov.uk

Bella Culley – Bookings & Marketing enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk

HALL'S TO HIRE:



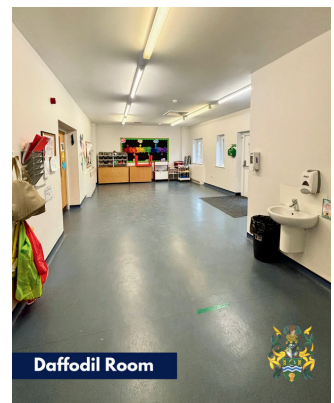
*St. Augustine's Way, Springfield, Chelmsford,
Essex, CM1 6GX*

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:

Too check what's on at the Springfield Parish centre please visit our website or pop in to collect a itinerary.

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.

CONEY'S IS COMING TO SPRINGFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE:

We are pleased to share that Coney's Fish and Chip van will be coming to the Springfield Parish Centre every week. Please keep a look out on our website and social media pages for more details.



JOIN US FOR OUR MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING:

On Friday 26th September the Springfield Parish Centre will be hosting a Macmillan Coffee morning from 10am - 12pm in the Cafe.

Come along for a cuppa, some cake, and great company - all while supporting Macmillan Cancer Support. We'd love to see you there!



SAVE THE DATE:

Santa's grotto is back! Our Christmas grotto event is back on **20th December 2025**. Last year we had huge amounts of fun with our community and we are pleased to share that Father Christmas will be stopping by again. Please keep an eye out for details on our social media pages.



PLAY IN THE PARK SUCCESS:

Play in the Park was a tremendous success this year, and we're thrilled with how the day unfolded.

We hope everyone who attended had a fantastic time enjoying the wide range of activities, entertainment, and, of course, the ever-popular bouncy castles. It was wonderful to see families, friends, and community members of all ages coming together to make the most of the event.

Even our local councillors couldn't resist joining in the fun - proving that the day truly had something for everyone!

A big thank you to all who participated, volunteered, and helped make this year's event so memorable. We're already looking forward to next year!



Cllr Richard Lee



Bouncy Castle supplied by 1st2Bounce.



Cllr Natacha Dudley

SPRINGFIELD COAT OF ARMS:

We hope you have noticed the Springfield coat of arms, which has recently been installed beside Pump Lane, near the New Bowers Way roundabout. The sign was relocated from Chelmer Village following the establishment of its own parish council. It has been beautifully repainted by our Supervisor, Billy Magee, who has done an excellent job.



The arms were officially granted in 1996.

Within the green shield, the white and blue wavy lines represent the Rivers Chelmer and Blackwater, which form a significant part of the original Springfield parish boundary. The two shapes in the top corners of the shield are called millrinds, symbolising the iron supports used to bind millstones, as would have been found at Barnes Mill. The three swords (seaxes) represent Essex, while the wheatsheaf reflects Springfield's agricultural heritage, dating back to its origins as a small settlement with just a few houses.

The tower depicted is that of All Saints' Church, Springfield, which was part of the parish before 1907. The poplar trees on either side of the tower appear in a photograph of the church taken in the 1990s. The plough symbolises the area's farming history and is inspired by an 11th-century calendar illustration showing men ploughing with oxen. The spring flowers on the mound beneath the plough represent the widespread bulb planting carried out across the parish during the 1970s and 1980s.

ALL THE BEST!

It is with great sadness that I have to advise that Cllr Sue Sullivan & Cllr Anthony Chong have resigned from Springfield Council with immediate effect.

Sue and Anthony had such a wealth of knowledge and experience that will be missed in Council for sure.

I am sure that all Councillors will join me in wishing Sue and Anthony the very best with Chelmer Council in the future and thank them for everything they have done for Springfield Council.

Cllr. R. Carson

If you are interested in becoming a councillor please contact Karen Kuderovitch - **Clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk**