

March 2026

SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



Welcome

As the long dark days start to get lighter and warmer, and the sun slowly begins to make more of an appearance, we are delighted to share the latest updates, events and local news from around the Parish. We hope this newsletter brings you useful information, and a true sense of the warm, resilient community we are so proud to be part of.

Annual Parish Meeting- 18th May at 7pm

This is an opportunity to meet your Councillors and raise anything of concern. Tea & Coffee will be served.
Your voice matters!



www.springfield-pc.gov.uk

01245 464583

Open
EVENING
Friday 10th April, 2026 6pm-9pm
Springfield Parish Centre, St Augustine's Way, CM1
6GX



An excellent opportunity for any businesses, clubs, charities etc to come and walk around our centre, meet our team and see our rooms and services we provide!

Centre Rooms

- Bowers Hall & Kitchen
- Bolton Room & Kitchen
- Springfield Room
- Daffodil Room
- Annex & Kitchen
- Chelmer Room
- Council Chamber
- Cafe

Contact Us
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MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:

The full Parish Council meets on the first Monday of every month; and we have various Committees meeting regularly as well. 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 the public session.

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Chair of Council, Environment & Planning Committee

Cllr. Ian Fuller

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Vice Chair of Council, Personnel Committee, Premises Committee

Cllr. Beata Chadwick

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Springfield United Charities rep, Environment & Planning Committee, Premises Committee

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Member of Parish Council, Personnel Committee

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Member of Parish Council

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Member of Parish Council

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Member of Parish Council, Personnel Committee

Cllr. Natacha Dudley

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Member of Parish Council, Premises Committee

Cllr. Richard Lee

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Chair of Premises Committee, Personnel Committee

Cllr. Nicholas Stanig

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Member of Parish Council

Chelmsford City Councillors

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Richard Lee- The Lawns

Ian Fuller- Springfield North

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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW COUNCILLOR

It is with great pleasure that we welcome Councillor Stanig to the Parish Council. This now means all 13 seats have been filled.

MEET THE STAFFING TEAM:

Karen Kuderovitch, CILCA
Springfield Parish Council Clerk
& Responsible Finance Officer.
clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk

Maisie Kingston ILCA
Assistant Clerk & Finance Officer
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Kim Lee
Marketing & Enquiries Officer
enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk

Billy Magee
Senior Maintenance Supervisor

Nick Watts
Maintenance Supervisor

Rob Smith
Weekend Supervisor

Rachael Bracey
Cleaning Staff

Paul Little
Cleaning Staff

Nicky Fairs
Cafe Assistant



Left to right: Nicky, Kim, Maisie & Karen

MEETING DATES FOR 2026

SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL – MEETING DATES FOR 2026				
DATES	FULL COUNCIL	ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE	PREMISES COMMITTEE	PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Monday 30 th March			7pm	
Monday 13 th April	7pm	If required ~ 6pm		
Monday 11 th May	7pm Annual Council Meeting (election of Chair)	6pm		
Monday 18 th May	7pm Annual Parish Meeting (electors meeting)			
Monday 1 st June	7pm	If required ~ 6pm		
Monday 15 th June			7pm	
Monday 6 th July	7pm	If required ~ 6pm		
Monday 3 rd August	7pm	6pm	7pm	
Monday 17 th August				
Monday 7 th September	7pm	If required ~ 6pm		
Monday 5 th October	7pm	If required ~ 6pm		
Monday 19 th October			7pm	
Monday 2 nd November	7pm	6pm		
Monday 7 th December	7pm	If required ~ 6pm	6pm	

OPEN SPACE CONSULTATION

We welcome your views to enhance the green space adjacent to our car park. Our aim is to transform this into a quiet, reflective area to be enjoyed by all. The space will also support our ongoing biodiversity ambitions. Finances permitting, we hope to add some more benches and flower planters, wildflowers and various wildlife boxes.

Please email Karen at clerk@springfield-pc.gov.uk with any views or suggestions as we take this proposal forward.

LITTER BINS

Thank you to those residents who have let us know your concerns. We are pleased to report that we have purchased 10 new litter bins which will be replaced very soon.



BUS TIMETABLE – BRACKENDEN DRIVE

The Council have been continually chasing Essex County Council, and have been advised that the delay was due to awaiting stock and will be installed imminently.

CLERK'S REPORT: KAREN KUDEROVITCH

There has been much activity at the Springfield Parish Centre. Our upgrades to many areas of works including painting, carpets etc. continues. We are also very excited to have published an events schedule for 2026! Please take a look at the schedule and join in the fun. We hope that residents will support our events and this will improve community engagement.

More importantly, our heating upgrade is being completed soon, which will cease the historic issues we have had. Bowers Hall is having a new floor laid towards the end of March and our lighting is being upgraded to energy efficient LEDs. . We do have an opening evening advertised in this newsletter, so please come along, meet the team, have a cuppa and view our fantastic facilities.

We held a successful Christmas party enjoyed by all and my thanks to all staff who contributed to this. We are planning to add more activities at this year's party and appreciate the feedback forms that were completed on the day.



Our café has now been officially named as 'The Springfield Hub', and if you have not already, please come and visit us. We are planning to expand our menu to offer a wider range of food and beverage options. Use it or lose it, we do need community support to continue to make it financially viable. Our grateful thanks to Nicky Fairs for receiving a 5 star hygiene rating!

We are looking into what as a Council we can achieve in line with our Biodiversity Policy and have some ideas for improving the green area adjacent to the car park. Any suggestions are always welcome.

We welcome a new member of staff, Rob Smith, who works as the weekend supervisor. We were delighted of the news of the safe arrival of Bella's baby girl recently.

If you have any issues you wish to raise, and it is within our remit, we are committed to supporting our residents as best we can. So please, always pop in or email the Clerk if you have any questions or concerns.

FINANCE :

SPRINGFIELD PARSH COUNCIL - PRECEPT BUDGET

Precept History	Precept		Council Tax Base		Average Band D
2024/2025	£	227,240.00	£	2,903.43	£ 78.27
2025/2026	£	238,602.00	£	2,903.50	£ 82.18
Approved at full council					
2026/2027	£	268,427.00	£	2,903.85	£ 85.06
Based on 9% inflation					

At the full Council Meeting of 12/01/2026, after much deliberation, it was resolved to increase the Precept for the financial year 2026/2027 by 9%.

FRIENDSHIP CAFE

Come and join us for our Friendship Cafe! Every Tuesday 9am-11am



DATE FOR THE DIARY

Play in the Park 2026- 2nd April 2026- Visit <https://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/leisure-centres/where/community-sport-and-wellbeing/play-in-the-park/>

NEW HALL HIRE PRICE LIST

Springfield Parish Centre

Hall Hire Pricing Structure as of 1st April
2026

Bowers Hall

(Kitchen optional & included in price)

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £20.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £35.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£45.00



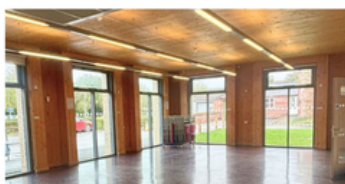
Boleyn Room

(Kitchen optional & included in price)

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £15.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £20.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£25.00



Springfield Room

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £12.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £15.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£25.00



Council Chamber

(Upstairs Kitchen optional & included
in price)

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £20.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £20.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£25.00



NEW HALL HIRE PRICE LIST

Chelmer Room

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £12.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £15.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£20.00



Annex

(Kitchen optional & included in price)

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £15.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £20.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£25.00



Daffodil Room

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £15.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £20.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£25.00



Cafe

Weekday per hour 8am-Close £12.00

Weekend per hour 8am-5pm £12.00

Weekend Evening per hour 5pm-Close
£12.00



NEW HALL HIRE PRICE LIST

Additional Services

These are optional and can be added to the hall hire at the time of booking

Cleaning Fee

(Tables & Chairs to be set up by hirer, SPC will put away and dispose of a maximum of 2 bags of rubbish)

Saturday & Sunday £30.00

Tea, Coffee, Water

Up to 20 people £10 per session

Bar

To hire the bar is £40.00- Unstocked & Unstaffed- To sell your own alcohol you will need to apply for a Temporary Event Notice.

Catering Options

Introductory Offer

Business Breakfasts £2 per head

Business Lunches £7 per head

Discounts

Saturday Evening- **No Discounts**

All other days- 10% discount for Residents or Charities providing a utility bill or charity number



Regular Hirers

Book & Pay for 6 months and receive 10% off

Book & Pay for 12 months and receive 15% off

Damage Deposit

A refundable damage deposit of £100 is due before any private hire.

Deposits can be paid by debit card

Deposits can be refunded inbetween office hours 9am-3.30pm

if you are unable to collect during this time, prior arrangements must be discussed with the office staff

All Fees are VAT inclusive. For more information please call 01245 464583 or email enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk

EVENTS SCHEDULE FOR 2026

SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL – SCHEDULE 2026 @ SPRINGFIELD PARISH CENTRE CM1 6GX					
EVENT	DATE	DETAILS	LOCATION	COST & BUDGET	RISK ASSESSMENT
 Dog Café	Last Tuesday of the month from 9.30 – 11.30 – Commencing Tuesday 24 th February 2026	Dog bowls out for water, station that includes dog bags, wipes etc for any messes. Homemade dog biscuits available to buy as well as pup cups when ordering a coffee.	Café	To be advised (cost of dog biscuits, bags, wipes etc).	Required
Friendship Café	Tuesday mornings Starting in March 2026	Advertise locally via newsletter/web/noticeboards	Café	1 Free tea/coffee	Not required
Easter Craft Fair	Saturday 28 th March 2026	Tables available to purchase for businesses to showcase their products. Café available.	Bowers Hall & Café	£18 per table (6ft x 2ft) – free entry for residents	Required
Easter Egg/Bonnet Decorating Competition	Send 1 st March 26 Received by 6 th April 26	Downloadable/Printable blank design to send out to schools/groups for children to complete and send back. Winning design is used on socials/webster/newsletter and gets a prize. Other prizes for top 5 designs	To bring in or send into office.	Minimal cost of printing Cost of prizes	Not required
Parish Centre Open Evening	Friday 10 th April 26 6pm – 9pm	To promote the facilities available.	Parish Centre	Free tea & coffee	Not required
Summer Fayre	Enquiries being made with CCC to use field – 5 th September 2026	Food & Drink stalls, inflatables, DJ/Band/Singers, Children's Entertainer	Field & Café	£201	Required
Play in the Park/Easter & Summer	2 nd April 2026 5 th August 2026	Organised by Chelmsford City Council. Dates are - added inflatable extras as well as crafts and activities.	Annex & Daffodil Rooms and field next to the centre	Free event to public organised by CCC. £1000 budget for extras plus £300 per day cost to the Centre for the actual event.	Not required
Springfield's Got Talent	Friday 11 th September 2026	Talent Show	Bowers Hall	Tickets £5 per entry (adult or child)	Required
Halloween Disco	Friday 30 th October 2026	Prizes for best dressed, DJ, games/snacks entertainment.	Bowers Hall	Tickets at £3 adults, £1 children, under 2's free Cost of disco tbc	Required
Quiz Night	TBC November 2026	Advertise locally via newsletter/web/noticeboards			
Christmas Party	Saturday 19 th December 2026	Bouncy Castle, Entertainer, Craft table, Santas Grotto	Bowers Hall, Chelmer Room, Café	Free for Springfield Residents	Required

CRAFT



FAIR

SPRINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL 28TH MARCH 2026 11AM-3PM



If you are a local business and would like to showcase your crafts/baked goods etc.. then get in touch to book your table!

Table Tickets- £18 (6ftx2ft table)

Free entry for visitors

Our Cafe will be open!



**SPRINGFIELD PARISH
CENTRE, ST AUGUSTINE'S
WAY CM1 6GX**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR
TO BOOK A STALL- PLEASE
EMAIL
FINANCE@SPRINGFIELD-
PC.GOV.UK**

Springfield Community Hub's Dog Cafe



LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
Starts
24TH
FEBRUARY

9.30am-11.30am

Homemade Dog Biscuits
Puppachino's

After walk treat for you and your furry
friends!

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DOGS
MUST BE KEPT ON A LEAD
AT ALL TIMES

Springfield Parish Centre 
St Augustine's Way, Chelmsford, CM1 6GX

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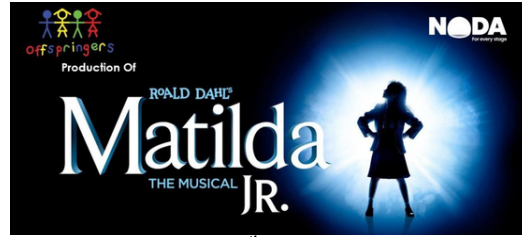
SPRINGERS & OFFSPRINGERS PRESENTS...



10th-13th June 2026

Expect soaring songs, devilish humour, show-stopping performances, enchanting storytelling, and a storm of theatrical spectacle as sparks fly and magic crackles in the air.

A bewitching, bold and beautifully bonkers musical celebration of friendship, power, temptation and letting your true self shine.



21st-25th April 2026

Extraordinary things are coming to Chelmsford as Roald Dahl's brilliant little bookworm steps onto our stage in Matilda Jr. the Musical presented by local amateur group Offspringers.

Book your tickets at
www.chelmsfordtheatre.co.uk

SPRINGFIELD CAMERA CLUB

The Council would like to send their heartfelt thank you to the Camera Club for taking pictures of the centre, and providing beautiful photos displayed in the Springfield Community Hub Cafe!

*All Photos Taken
By Members Of*

Springfield Camera Club

*So If You Take Photos
With A Camera
With Your Phone
And
Would Like To Meet Up With
Like Minded People*

*Why Not Come Along And Give Us A Try
We Are A Small Friendly Club
That Meets In The Springfield Room
Every Wednesday From 7.45 Pm To 10pm*

*We Have Photography Talks, With Guest Speakers
Practical Evenings Friendly Competitions
Members Evenings
And Lots More*

springfieldcameraclub.org.uk



BUSINESS LUNCHES WITH THE SPRINGFIELD HUB

If you are looking for a room to host meetings, conferences, training days, workshops and many more, then get in touch with us to book our Council Chamber, the perfect venue for your needs. This well-equipped space provides an ideal setting for learning, having discussions or those important meetings with your team or clients. We have the added benefit of free ample parking facilities.

Our Springfield Community Hub Cafe can also provide business breakfasts & lunches to help keep your guests refreshed and take some of the stress off of planning!

To find out more, please email enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk



SPOTLIGHT- BOWERS HALL

Our Bowers Hall was recently used for a Birthday Celebration and the hall made the perfect space for the guests and beautiful decorations!

If you would like to book the Bowers Hall for your occasion, email enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk or give us a call on 01245-464583



LOCAL BUSINESSES

If you would like us to assist you in promoting your business, we now have a dedicated page on our website. We can share your business contact details via a link to your website/socials.

If you would like to take advantage of this free service, please email enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk for further details.



Chelmsford City Council

www.chelmsford.gov.uk
01254 - 606606
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

Essex County Council

www.essex.gov.uk
0345 743 0430
19 Market Rd,
Chelmsford,
CM1 1GG

www.essex.gov.uk

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

If you would like a copy of this newsletter in a larger print, please contact us at enquiries@springfield-pc.gov.uk



FULLY LICENCED
CLEARANCES

NO SPACE
FOR WASTE

OLD
FURNITURE





GENERAL WASTE

SCRAP METAL



WITH SAME DAY
CLEARANCES!

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GET IT GONE

