



Community News

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November 2008

CHRISTMAS IN HATFIELD

Look out for Father Christmas on his rounds from 4.30pm between 2nd and 19th December. Full details are on the back page.

Santa will also be visiting Asda on 6th December between 10am and 3.30pm.

Other Christmas events are planned for the Town Centre. For the latest information go to www.welhat.gov.uk or contact us (details below)

Father Christmas enjoys reading letters from children and would welcome them from the children of Hatfield. A new post-box will be at Birchwood Leisure Centre from the end of November and children can either post their letters to him there or call into the offices to pop them into the box.

The post-box will also be available for children to post their letters at Santa's Grotto on Saturday 6th December in the Asda Foyer.



Our contact details:

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Birchwood Leisure Centre
Longmead
Hatfield
AL10 0AN

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enquiries@hatfield-herts.gov.uk

Our office is open 9am – 5pm
Monday to Friday.

Website
www.hatfield-herts.gov.uk

Christmas Message

The Mayor, Councillors and staff wish everyone a Merry Christmas 2008 and Happy New Year 2009.

GRANTS

Please don't forget that Hatfield Town Council offers Grants to help local groups to improve facilities or to buy new equipment. Application forms are available at our new address at Birchwood Leisure Centre, or download them from our web site www.hatfield-herts.gov.uk

Forms are found on the grants page.

The Council has £10,000 to fund groups and projects aimed towards helping the community, So don't miss out.

This year we've helped out a school fair by grant funding a teacup ride.

We contributed towards the cost of a dugout for Hatfield Town Football Club Reserves Team.

A cricket bowling machine has been purchased with funds from the Council for a local club.

Grant assistance has been given to Jimmy Mac's Activity Centre.

Funding towards start up costs was given to an allotments association.

A well used community hall has received funding towards upgrading its toilets.

Holding a School Christmas Fair in Hatfield?

Please contact us if you would like some financial help towards set up costs, prizes or stall decorations

More Grant funding



Community Development Agency for Hertfordshire

CDA for Herts working in partnership with Hertfordshire Community Foundation are supporting the **Grassroots Small Grants fund**. If you a voluntary and community group with an income of less than £20,000 per annum, and need a grant of up to £5,000 you may be eligible. To find out more about this scheme contact:

Kate Belinis 01707 695503 or

email: kate.belinis@cdaforherts.org.uk

Your Town Councillors

Central Ward

Cllr. Mike Alder - 69 Northfield, Hatfield. AL10 0AH

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Cllr. Hannah Berry - 9 Daffodil Close, Hatfield. AL10 9FF

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Cllr. Margaret White - 30 The Downs, Hatfield. AL10 8JX

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South Ward

Cllr. Caron Juggins - 44 Park Meadow, Hatfield AL9 5HP

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Cllr. Ron Smith - 44 Willow Way, Hatfield AL10 9QE

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West Ward

Cllr. Sarah Atkinson - 365 St. Albans Road West, Hatfield

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Cllr. Dave Kay - 49 Northfield, Hatfield AL10 0AH

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Cllr. Kim Morris - 37 Stanley Drive, Hatfield AL10 8XX

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Villages Ward

Cllr. Doug Berry - 9 Daffodil Close, Hatfield AL10 9FF

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Tel: 01707 259843 Party: Conservative

Cllr. Richard Hedges - 19 Redhall Drive, Hatfield AL10 9EB

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Cllr. Howard Morgan - Flat II, Maynard House, The Common,

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East Ward

Cllr. Linda Clark - 39 Chantry Lane, Hatfield. AL10 9HW

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Cllr. Mick Clark - 39 Chantry Lane, Hatfield. AL10 9HW

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Cllr. Paul Smith - 45 Garden Avenue, Hatfield. AL10 8LL

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Newgate Street/Woodhill

Cllr. Geoff Wiltshire

Tolmers Park Farm, Newgate Street Village, Hertford SG13

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Town Council Meetings

Date & Time	Meeting	Venue
19 Nov 2008 at 7.30pm	Leisure Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
3 Dec 2008 at 7.30pm	Resources & Policy Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
10 Dec 2008 at 7.30pm	Planning Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
17 Dec 2008 at 7.30pm	Council	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
7 Jan 2009 at 7.30pm	Planning Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
14 Jan 2009 at 7.30pm	Leisure Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
28 Jan 2009 at 7.30pm	Resources & Policy Committee/ Special Council	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
4 Feb 2009 at 7.30pm	Planning Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre
25 Feb 2009 at 7.30pm	Planning Committee	Sportsman Room, Birchwood Leisure Centre

The first fifteen minutes of each meeting is set aside for members of the public to raise questions on issues relating to the work of the Council. Please contact the Clerk if you would like further information.

Hatfield FUN ZONE

A Softplay Centre on three levels for Toddlers & Children to enjoy.

A variety of slides, tunnels and ladders to keep the children entertained for hours.

NEW – Additional exclusive use session now available – 4.45pm – 6.15pm Monday – Friday during school term time so you can have your party straight after school! Cost is only £75. (Plus £50 refundable deposit)

Monday Evening Special - Exclusive Use from 6.30pm to 8pm or 8.15pm to 9.45pm for £75 (Plus £50 refundable deposit). That is half the normal price. See below for ages and numbers of children that can attend. Call our bookings HOTLINE on 01707 262023 to reserve your date.

UNLIMITED USE FOR £16 per month apply for our "SILVER CARD" at our main Reception.

Birchwood Leisure Centre, Longmead, Hatfield.
Tel: 01707 270772 for General Enquiries or
01707 262023 for Party/Group enquiries.
Postcode for your Sat Nav AL10 0AN

For children up to a height of 1.52 metres (5ft) only.

Opening Hours 9.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday Term Time.
Opening Hours 9.30am to 6pm Weekends and School Holidays.

Entry fee - £4 for an hour and a half maximum session at all times.
Children age under 4 are £3 per session.
The Cafe is open weekends and school holidays from 9.30am to 5.30pm.

Vending Machines are available at all other times.

For more information go to our website www.hatfield-herts.gov.uk



GREEN LANES ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

The Green Lanes Allotment Association held its first event on August 16th, to celebrate the start national allotments week, a BBQ was held at the site which was very well attended. Competitions for the best dressed scarecrow, best photograph, were a few of the events taking place. The association which works in partnership with the Hatfield Town Council had a very successful afternoon by raising money for an onsite shed for use by the association.



Below some of the Scarecrow entries



Our Chairman

The Winner

HIGH VIEW MURAL

The launch of the High View Mural at South Hatfield took place on 23rd September. The Community Project took 18 months to complete culminating in various improvements to the Hilltop Shopping parade in High View.

The mural was designed and implemented by Sarah Dilley who is studying Fine Art at the University of

Hertfordshire. The mural is in honour of her Great-Grandfather who helped build aeroplanes in Hatfield during the War. This provides something for local people to enjoy and highlights the University's commitment to the local community to which it belongs.



DUTCH YOUTH EXCHANGE – AUGUST 2008

Yet another successful youth exchange took place in August. We would like to thank Barry Clark, Kirstin Whybrow, parents and young people and everyone involved in making it such a great success.

As well as carrying out team building exercises the young people enjoyed a trip to Thorpe Park, Herts. Young Mariners' Base, paint-balling, the Houses of Parliament and the London Eye and Brighton.



SPORTSMAN MEETING ROOM NOW AVAILABLE

Our newly refurbished Sportsman Meeting Room is now available for hire at very competitive rates.



Please contact us at Birchwood Leisure Centre for further details.

NEWGATE STREET VILLAGE HALL

EXHIBITION AND SALE OF PAINTINGS

(in aid of the Village Hall & Church)

To be held at Newgate Street Village Hall on

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th November 2008 between 10am and 5pm

Completed entry forms to be returned by Wed. 19th November 2008

Handing in of pictures on: Monday 24th November 2008 between 12.30 and 1.30pm or 6.30pm and 7.30pm

Collection of unsold pictures by: Monday 1st December 2008 between 12.30 and 1.30pm or 6.30pm and 7.30pm

Please send completed application forms to Mrs S Wiltshire, Tolmers Park Farm, Newgate Street Village, Near Hertford, Herts. SG13 8RD Tel: 01707 872561 / Mobile: 07771 766064

EXCLUSIVE EXHIBITION PREVIEW - Please contact Mrs S Wiltshire for further details

News from Isabel Hospice November & December 2008

NOVEMBER 2008

15th November 10.30am

Hatfield House Christmas Fair for Isabel Hospice

The popular Christmas Market in the Riding School at Hatfield House is due to take place on Saturday 15th November from 10:30am to 4:00pm.

Organised by Welwyn Hatfield Conservatives but with half the proceeds being donated to Isabel Hospice, the event has grown in popularity for over two decades.

Admission is £2.00, accompanied children free. The Hatfield House gift shop and restaurant will also be open on the day.

22nd November – Isabel Hospice Lights of Love Ceremony – 4pm

Hatfield Galleria – This event is the first of the ceremonies held to remember loved ones throughout the Isabel Hospice catchment area. The ceremony, which lasts about 1 hour will be held around the Christmas Tree in the Galleria, and will include a reading, carols and a speaker. There will be a countdown before lights on the tree are turned on. All welcome. If you would like to dedicate a light on the tree, contact fundraising at Isabel Hospice on 01707 376782 or download a form from www.isabelhospice.org.uk.



DECEMBER

2nd December – The Magic Of Christmas

We look forward to welcoming you to the stunning Meadow Marquee, Tewin Bury Farm, Welwyn for our Christmas extravaganza. Start your day by meeting your friends for coffee, before browsing our fabulous range of stalls selling gifts, home accessories, jewellery, fashion items, fine foods and Christmas cards. Lunch will follow in the marquee with a wonderful Fashion Show of Christmas day and party wear by Chanticleer of Welwyn. The Christmas spirit will run throughout the day with live music and carols sung by a local choir. All proceeds from this event will support the vital work of Isabel Hospice in caring for patients and families experiencing serious illness in East Hertfordshire. Tickets £40 per person to include: Coffee on arrival Lunch & Wine Coffee. All enquiries to Suzanne Coleman Tel 01438 717406. Email rdsj_coleman@yahoo.co.uk



7th December – Jingle Bells and Bows Fun Run for Isabel Hospice

Last year's successful event, raised nearly £20,000 for the hospice and saw nearly 400 runners circling Stanborough Lakes in Welwyn Garden City. Sponsored by the Howard Centre. Run in fancy dress if you wish, maybe a Christmas Pudding or Father Christmas. Teams and individual runners welcome. There will be spot prizes on the day for the best dressed runners, and you will get a free glass of mulled wine (over 18s only) and a mince pie. Entry is £10 (free entry for under 16s). Race times to be confirmed. Come and see Santa in his grotto and make it a great 2nd year. Call Lisa Seccombe for an entry form or email her lisa.seccombe@isabelhospice.org.uk



The Town Mayor of Hatfield's Charity Golf Day

Tuesday
2nd December 2008

At Mill Green Golf Course,
Gypsy Lane, Welwyn Garden City,
Hertfordshire, AL7 4TY

Registration 10am for 11am start

Tea/Coffee and Bacon roll on arrival

**18 Hole
Competition**

Nearest the Pin

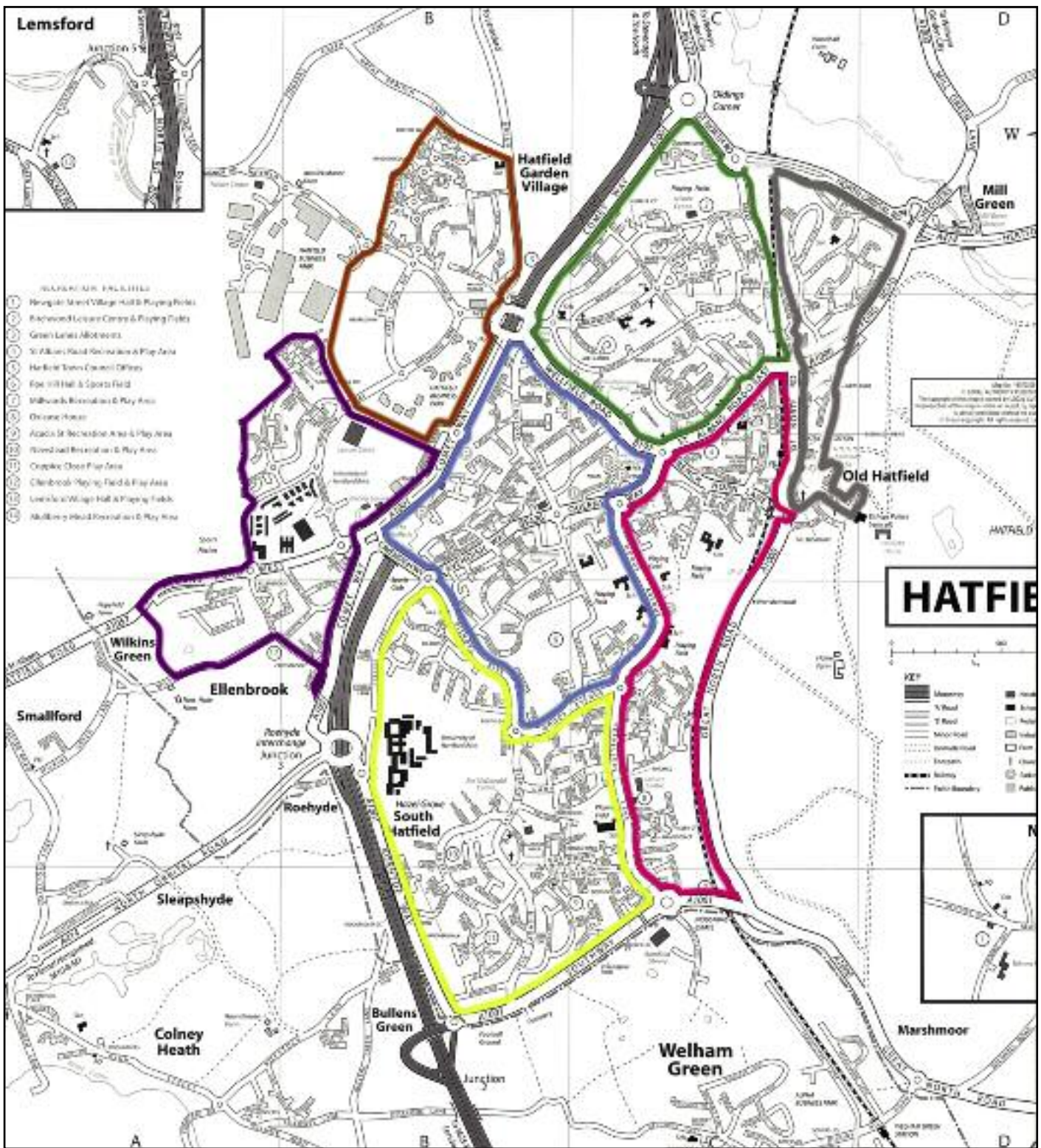
Longest Drive

**Three Course
Christmas
Dinner**

**Prize
Presentation**

**Only: £200 per team of four
Why not treat your staff this Christmas
Or get together with friends for a fun day out?**

Supported by SB Services Engravers & Trophies
Organised by Hatfield Town Council
Enquiries to Carrie Lloyd
carrie.lloyd@hatfield-herts.gov.uk



Father Christmas Evening Tours 2008

Please note that all tours start at approximately 4.30pm

Legend

DATE AREA = WARD AND INITIAL ROADS

- Tues 2nd Dec Lemsford** = Lemsford Village (5pm – 5.15pm The Sun Inn carpark) The Ryde and Old Hatfield
- Thurs 4th Dec Brown** = Hatfield Garden Village, Manor Close, Manor Road, Holme Road, (Broadacres / Astwick Ave 6.30pm – 6.45pm)
- Tues 9th Dec Yellow** = South Hatfield, Hazel Grove, Ryecroft, Hawthornes, Gorse Close (Newstead 4.45pm, near Coppice Close 6pm, Acacia Street 7pm)
- Wed 10th Dec Green** = North Hatfield, Longmead, Chelwood Ave, Crawford Road, Birchwood Ave (6.30pm Birchwood Leisure Centre)
- Thur 11th Dec Purple lower area** = Ellenbrook, Ashbury Close, Selwyn Drive, Selwyn Crescent Selwyn Ave (5.30pm – 6pm The Poplars/Bramble Rd)
- Fri 12th Dec Red** = East Hatfield, Millwards, St Audrey's Close, (5.30pm outside St Christophers)
- Tue 16th Dec Blue** = Central Hatfield, Lemsford Road, Stockbreach Close, Stockbreach Rd.
- Fri 19th Dec Purple top area** = De-Havilland Site, Cunningham Way

All times are approximate and subject to change. Road names do not signify a specific route