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STOWMARKET COMMUNITIES NEWSLETTER

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COMING TO STOWMARKET – THE BULLROOM

Exciting changes are underway in Tavern Street, Stowmarket, as the former Stannards building is being transformed into The Bullroom – a brand-new darts hub for the town.

Created by local entrepreneurs Stuart Huggins and Darren Moyes, The Bullroom will feature 10 pay-and-play lanes, including interactive boards with mini-games inspired by venues such as Boom Battle Bar and Flight Club. Dedicated training boards will also provide throw tracking and heat maps, making it the perfect place for both casual players and serious dart enthusiasts.

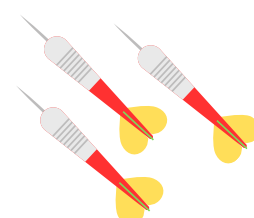
While the much anticipated opening date awaits, The Bullroom hosted a specialist shop offering everything from darts equipment and accessories to lessons and expert advice. To celebrate, the team held a one-off launch event at the Royal British Legion on Saturday 4th October. Visitors explored the shop with over 350 different barrels to try before buying, plus thousands of accessories from



all major brands. Dr Oche – Darts Coaching ran sessions throughout the day, with one-to-one coaching available from a PDPA-qualified coach. Guests also had the chance to enjoy a free throw on the Target Darts OMNI lane.

Keep an eye on The Bullroom's social media channels for updates and the official opening date. Make sure to stop by and support this exciting new addition to the town!

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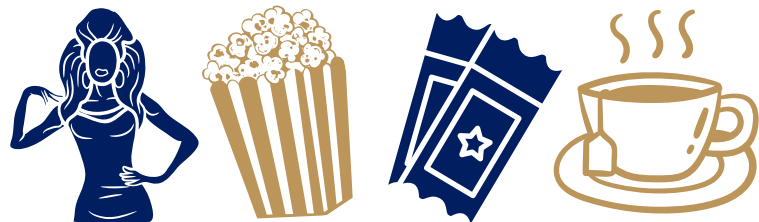
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STOWMARKET COMMUNITIES GRANTS SCHEME

Stowmarket Communities Grants Scheme provides small grants of up to £500 to local charities and organisations for a range of community activities and events in the Stowmarket area, that will be of benefit to local residents.

Email communities@stowmarket.org for more information. closing date: 19th October 2025.



COMPETITION TIME - SIGN UP TO OUR E-NEWSLETTER

Stowmarket Town Council are launching a brand new email marketing service to keep local residents up to date. By signing up you will receive carefully prepared information specific to Stowmarket, such as key dates, local events and activities and vital information happening in the town.

Competition Time!

5 amazing prizes have been generously donated by the Regal, Sign up to our newsletter by 31st October to be in with a chance to win! Winners will be announced on Monday 3rd November.



1 Cream Tea for
Two

4 x Tickets to Santas Christmas Party
Saturday 29th November

2 x Cinema Tickets for
November

2 x Regular Combos
(Drink and Popcorn)

2 x Tickets for Drag
Unleashed - Saturday 15th
November

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THIS OCTOBER HALF TERM - GO GREEN GO WILD RETURNS!

Stowmarket Town Council is inviting families to enjoy a fun-filled day this October half term as Go Green Go Wild returns to the town. The popular free community event will take place on Wednesday 29th October, from 10.30am to 2.30pm, at Milton House grounds and the Stowmarket Scout Centre.

The event has quickly become a favourite with local families, offering the perfect mix of entertainment and education. Children will be able to dive into outdoor adventures, from bug hunts and forest school activities to creating wildlife habitats and eco-inspired crafts. Families can also explore sustainable living ideas, connect with local community groups, and discover new ways to protect the environment.



No family day out would be complete without fun and refreshments. Visitors can look forward to the lively atmosphere of the event, with the helter skelter, trampolines, and games providing plenty of excitement for children, while parents take time out with a coffee and a snack.

The Regal Stowmarket is celebrating all things green and wild with two special screenings on the day of the event! Enjoy the family classic *A Bug's Life* (1998), perfect for all ages, or be inspired by the thought-provoking documentary *Six Inches of Soil*. Don't miss this chance to be entertained and inspired - book your tickets now to secure your seats!

Summer Lambert, Community Engagement and Events Lead at Stowmarket Town Council, said "Go Green Go Wild is a wonderful way for families to enjoy half term together while discovering the importance of protecting our environment. It's free, it's fun, and it's for everyone, we can't wait to see the community come together again this year."

Whether you're looking for something engaging to do with the kids, curious about sustainable living, or simply want to enjoy a lively family day out, Go Green Go Wild promises to be a highlight of the half-term holiday.

Full event details will be announced soon - keep an eye on the Town Council website and social media!



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FAMILY FUN AT STOWMARKET'S MARKET

Stowmarket's twice weekly Market is more than just a place to shop locally and sustainably—it's also a hub for family-friendly fun. On select dates, the Market offers free activities for children alongside its traditional stalls, giving families the chance to enjoy a budget-friendly day out in town.

Recent activities have included break-dancing workshops, bubble shows, steel pan performances, and an alternative YA book fair, all proving popular with local families.

Upcoming Family-Friendly Activities:

- 18th October: Free balloon modelling
- 15th November: Rock Paper Scissors badge-making workshop
- 20th December: Christmas crafts plus live Christmas carols

Stowmarket Markets run every Thursday and Saturday, 9am–3pm, at the Market Place and Wilkes Way. Come along to support your local market and independent businesses!



REMEMBRANCE COMMEMORATIONS IN STOWMARKET

Stowmarket Town Council, in partnership with the Stowmarket branch of the Royal British Legion and St Peter and St Mary's Church, is holding a full programme of events to commemorate Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday.

Remembrance Sunday

On Sunday 9th November, Stowmarket will mark Remembrance Sunday with an event including:

- A parade from Red Gables along Ipswich Street to St Peter and St Mary's Parish Church.
- A Civic Service of Remembrance in St Peter and St Mary's Church. On conclusion of the church service the parade forms up in the Market Place.
- A parade from the Market Place to the Recreation Ground.
- The Service of Remembrance at the Recreation Ground Memorial Gates.

Armistice Day

On the morning of Tuesday 11th November there will be a service at the Memorial Gates situated at the Recreation Ground in Stowmarket.

We welcome people from across the local community to participate in the above events. Please see Stowmarket Town Council's website and social media for full details.



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WHATS ON THIS AUTUMN

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Autumn and winter in Stowmarket brings a wonderful line-up of local events to enjoy! From festive markets and seasonal celebrations to live performances and family-friendly activities, there's something for everyone to look forward to. Many events are free or low cost, making them perfect for the whole community. For more details, please contact the organisations directly.

Town Mayor's Civic Service - Stowmarket Town Centre

SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER

Poetry Ghost Walk - Suffolk Writers Group

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

Apple Week - Food Museum

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER - SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Bonfire Night - Food Museum

SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

Armistice Day

TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

Drag Unleashed - The Regal

SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

Wicked For Good - The Regal

FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

Record Fair - John Peel Centre

SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Santas Christmas Party! - The Regal

SATURDAY 29TH - SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

Stowmarket Christmas Fayre - Stowmarket Town Centre

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

Neil Sands Christmas Memories - The Regal

TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER

Blackbeards Tea Party - John Peel Centre

SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER

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STOWMARKET CHRISTMAS FAYRE



Get ready to soak up the Christmas spirit at the Stowmarket Christmas Fayre on Sunday 30th November, 10am–4pm! Working with local groups, this year's Fayre is packed with festive treats, activities, and entertainment for all ages.

Browse over 80 stalls, including charity stalls at Red Gables, offering handmade crafts, ceramics, local wines, chutneys, and more—perfect for finding unique gifts while supporting the community.

Enjoy delicious street food from favourites like PECK, and try something new from The Raclette Truck. Keep warm with seasonal drinks like hot chocolate and mulled wine as you explore the festivities.

Families are especially welcome, with free activities for children at all partner locations. Enjoy fairground rides, the ice rink, and festive crafts at The Mix and Food Museum, or take in the sparkling Christmas Tree Festival. Don't miss the family-friendly performance at The Regal, featuring Santa's Christmas Party, and look out for The Lions Santa, spreading festive cheer around town!

Live music and seasonal entertainment will fill the streets, creating the perfect atmosphere to get everyone into the holiday spirit. Whether you're shopping, snacking, or simply soaking up the festive fun, the Stowmarket Christmas Fayre is a great way to kick off the season.



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