

Pirbright Village News

Pirbright Village Fair Returns for a Fun-Filled Family Day on Saturday 6th June at 11.00 am – 4.00 pm

We are excited to see you all on Saturday 6th June, 11-4pm, at the Pirbright Village Fair. There is so much for you to see and do, with everything from donkey rides, a petting farm and the wonderful Fun Dog show (could your fluffy pooch be the star this year?) to taster sessions of Pilates and orienteering and a chance to cheer on Pirbright Women and Girls Cricket Teams battling it out on the cricket pitch. The central arena will be a hive of activity, with music from the Raiders Band, displays of ballet and martial arts, plus a short but hilarious performance by the Pirbright Players. Bring a hungry tummy to enjoy all the different food and drinks on offer around Lord Pirbright's Hall, hot drinks served by the WI in the Club room and cream teas at the church. And, while you are at the church, don't miss the beautiful floral displays and spectacular Noah's Ark. All this and more at the Pirbright Village Fair so don't miss out, bring the whole family for a great day out. If you haven't already received your programme with a timetable of events, pick one up from the church porch, or on the day at the Information tent.

On behalf of the Village Fair Committee, thank you one and all for your sponsorship, volunteering, attendance and support. This event supports St Michael and All Angels Church and local community groups.

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ST MICHAEL'S PIRBRIGHT & ST MARK'S WYKE
 CHURCH ON THE GREEN
 FOLLOWED BY
SUMMER BBQ
 10AM SUNDAY 28TH JUNE
 LORD PIRBRIGHT'S HALL

ST MICHAEL'S PIRBRIGHT & ST MARK'S WYKE
THE PARISH DASH
 Joined by Ash Social Runners
 Join us on Sunday 28th June 9am
 Lord Pirbright's Hall
 (Summer break July & August, we will resume in September)

Distances 2.5K & 5K
 or walk around the green with the Sunday Strollers
 Free
 All ages and fitness levels welcome
 Tea, coffee & croissants after!
 Join for Church on the Green service afterwards (optional)

pirbrightchurch.org.uk

YOU'RE INVITED
 Alpha course
A different kind of hope.
 Wednesday 3rd June 7.15pm
 St. Michael's Church Room
 Church Ln GU24 0JJ

TO SIGN UP and for more information
 CONTACT OUR OFFICE
 office@stmarkswyke.org.uk

Running every Wednesday consecutively for 8 weeks

PIRBRIGHT SINGERS
PIRBRIGHT Singers
 In the Summer Mood
 SATURDAY 11TH JULY 2026, 7.30PM
 St Michael and All Angels Church,
 Pirbright

Featuring music by
 • George Shearing • Harold Arlen
 • Richard Rogers • Jo Garland

With guest instrumentalists
 • Seth White - Violin • Toby Carrington - Cello

TICKETS £15 (including a drink)
 Cash or card on the door. Under 18s free.

DOORS OPEN AT 7PM

ARMED FORCES DAY
 27 JUNE 2026
 PICNIC ON THE GREEN
 PIRBRIGHT VILLAGE GREEN
 11:00 - 14:00 HOURS

An event to honour and thank our Armed Forces for their dedication to duty, their sacrifice and service to our Country.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY INC:

- Free parking @ Pirbright Terrace Fields
- Vibrant selection of food vendors
- Fascinating military memorabilia displays
- Informative Armed Forces stands
- Unique craft stalls
- Free activities, including obstacle course, archery and climbing tower
- Exciting arena performances
- Free Dog Show with great prizes @ 13:00 hours

FREE Fun DOG SHOW
 ALL DOGS, ALL BREEDS, ALL WELCOME!
 ALL DOGS WELCOME - JUST FOR FUN!
 FUN CATEGORIES WITH AMAZING PRIZES

REGISTRATION FROM 12:45 HOURS
 PART OF
ARMED FORCES DAY
 Picnic on the Green
 SATURDAY 27TH JUNE

Annual Meeting of the Council

During this meeting Cllr David Woollett was re-elected as Chair for the forthcoming year. David lives at Fox Corner with his wife Amy and their two sons. Having just run the London marathon in aid of Lord Pirbright's Hall, David is clearly very fit, motivated and passionate about Pirbright having lived in the village for over 18 years. David works full time as the Chief Compliance Officer for a large corporation and so brings a wealth of significant skills to the table, not least of which is juggling a busy job and home life whilst still carving out time for his role as Chair of the Parish Council. As we move towards the creation of the new West Surrey Authority in early 2027, David will be well equipped to promote the Parish Council in this new arena.

Cllr Lindsay Graham was re-elected as Vice Chair. Many of you will know Lindsay who has lived in the village since 1986, initially running the Post Office and then serving as Clerk to PPC for 25 years. Lindsay now runs a gallery from her home on the village green as well as serving as Vice Chair of PPC and Chair of the Trustees for the Village Hall.

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Lindsay has always been a kindly ear for every type of question and remains an approachable, familiar figure in the centre of the village. Lindsay is a member of so many of the Pirbright clubs and societies and has recently founded a Pirbright Bridge Club.

All 7 Councillors' details can be found on the Parish Council website. All are here to serve this community. Please do feel you are able to approach any of the Councillors in person or via email and voice a concern or ask a question on any topic relating to the village. The Parish Council is a completely non-political body and exists purely to promote Pirbright and the needs of its residents.



Cllr Lindsay Graham



Cllr David Woollett

Community film screening of The People's Emergency Briefing in Pirbright



In November 2025, a group of top scientists and academics in the country briefed our politicians, church leaders and other influential people on the state of the climate and

nature in the UK, presenting the latest evidence and statistics. A summary of this has been made into a short 45-minute film that is being screened at over 2,000 locations around the country. Surrey Wildlife Trust has kindly offered to screen this, principally for the benefit of Pirbright residents. Join us to watch this inspirational film which explains how we are doing in our challenge to adapt to climate change and to preserve our natural environment. Pirbright is fortunate in having hundreds of acres of natural and semi-wild, globally-important habitat in the surrounding area, so this film is particularly relevant to our village.

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After the screening, we encourage you to stay for a group discussion on our reaction to what we saw in the film and what more our community can do to reverse biodiversity depletion and to slow down the impact of our changing weather. Individually, it may be difficult to change direction but together, a sustainable future is achievable.

The screening takes place at Surrey Wildlife Trust's premises in School Lane on Monday 8 June at 6pm. Places are limited so please visit the link below for free tickets and entry to this event. National Emergency Briefing Screening Tickets, Monday 8th June • 6 PM - 8 PM | Eventbrite.

Lord Pirbright's Hall

Community Celebrates Cllr David Woollett's London Marathon Achievement



Everyone at Lord Pirbright's Hall would like to extend a huge thank you and congratulations to Cllr David Woollett on his incredible achievement in completing the London Marathon.

Not only did David take on one of the world's most iconic endurance events, but through his determination and generosity of you all, he has raised an amazing £2,380.00 plus additional Gift Aid, in support of Lord Pirbright's Hall.

This fantastic contribution will go towards the replacement of the LPH side access door and rear fire escape door, an important improvement that many will agree is long overdue and will make a significant difference to the future of LPH and the wider community.

Fundraising efforts such as this play an important role in helping LPH maintain and improve the hall for everyone to enjoy, and we are extremely grateful for the support shown by David and all those who donated.

On behalf of the whole community, thank you once again David for your hard work, commitment, and outstanding achievement. You have done both yourself and Lord Pirbright's Hall proud.



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An Evening at Brookwood 2026!

The Commonwealth War Graves Foundation returns to the Brookwood Military Cemetery on Thursday 11th June for a night of music, history and remembrance. It is also a great opportunity to see the new First World War Memorial. The Concert will start at 6pm with performances from Kate Garner, Colin Thackery, Weybridge Male Vocal Choir, Gordon's School Pipes and Drums and Liphook CofE School. There is no charge for attending. Come along from 3pm to enjoy tours of the site, children's activities, stalls, living history, and food trucks. Bring your camping chairs and a picnic, and cross your fingers for a bit of British summer sunshine!



Community Groups

Royal British Legion

We will be meeting at The Fox P.H. at Fox Corner on Monday, 8th June at 8pm. Everyone is welcome to join us to learn more about the Legion or to just socialise.

Contact: Anne Hawkins

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Rawlins Club

On Friday 12th June between 12.30pm and 3.30pm. the Rawlins Club BBQ will be held in Lord Pirbright's Hall

For further details, please contact Denise Granger on 01483 472070.

Pirbright WI

The meeting this month will not have a speaker but will be an in-house meeting on Tuesday 16th June.

The WI is serving coffees and teas with a good selection of biscuits on Thursday mornings 10am to 11.15am. When you pop into the Country Market why not visit us for tea or coffee. Irene Dredge 01483 233279 or email iredredge@outlook.com

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Gardening tips for June

June is a busy and rewarding month in the garden—little and often is the key. Deadhead roses and early perennials to keep flowers coming, and stake taller plants like delphiniums before they flop. Hoe borders regularly to keep weeds down and retain moisture.

Water deeply a few times a week rather than little and often. Harvest lettuce, radishes, and strawberries frequently, and start feeding tomatoes weekly while pinching out side shoots. Earth up potatoes and put supports in place for beans and peas. Mow lawns weekly, but raise the height in dry weather. Consider leaving a small patch longer for wildlife, in line with Plantlife's nature-friendly approach. Keep bird baths topped up and add nectar-rich plants for pollinators. Ventilate greenhouses daily and water containers well. Take time to enjoy it—June is one of the garden's finest months

Pirbright Historians

Today, the Army Training Centre is arguably Pirbright's most famous landmark. It has a proud history of training Guardsmen dating back to 1880. But less well known is that it was also used for The King's Birthday ceremony (Trooping the Colour) practice in the early 1900s. You can see this in action in our 1912 photo. We have plenty more stories and photos to share this summer, so come and say hello on 6 June at the Village Fete (in the Hall) to see our latest discoveries. And on 27 June, join us on the Green for Armed Forces Day (just two weeks after the 2026 Trooping the Colour).



Eco tip for June

Try leaving a small area of grass to grow longer this month—wildflowers will attract bees and butterflies, boosting local biodiversity.

Water plants early in the morning or evening to reduce evaporation, and use collected rainwater if you can. Avoid pesticides where possible—natural predators like ladybirds will help keep pests under control. Small changes can make a big difference.

Pirbright Community Calendar June 2026

Date	Time	Event
Wed 3rd	7.15pm	Alpha Course at St Michael's Pirbright Church Room
Sat 6th	11.00am - 4.00pm	Pirbright Village Fair including a Dog Show at Pirbright Village Green
Sun 7th	9.30am 11.15am	Holy Communion Service at St Michael's Pirbright All Age Service at St Mark's Church Hall GU3 2DA
Mon 8th	6.00pm - 8.00pm 8.00pm	National Emergency Briefing Screening at Surrey Wildlife Trust's premises in School Lane Royal British Legion at The Fox Inn, Fox Corner
Wed 10th	7.15pm	Alpha Course at St Michael's Pirbright Church Room
Thur 11th	3.00pm 6.00pm	An Evening at Brookwood tours, children's activities, stalls, & food trucks An Evening at Brookwood Concert
Fri 12th	12.30pm - 3.30pm	Rawlins Club BBQ at at Lord Pirbright's Hall
Sat 13th	10.00am - 11.00am	Operation Churchyard at St Michael's Pirbright
Sun 14th	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am	Said Communion (BCP) at St Michael's Pirbright Contemporary Service at St Michael's Pirbright Holy Communion Service at St Mark's Church GU3 2DA
Tue 16th	10.15am	Said Communion at St Michael's Pirbright followed by Cafe Club
Wed 17th	7.15pm	Alpha Course at St Michael's Pirbright Church Room
Sun 21st	9.30am 11.15am	Holy Communion Service at St Michael's Pirbright Contemporary Service at St Mark's Church Hall GU3 2DA
Wed 24th	7.15pm	Alpha Course at St Michael's Pirbright Church Room
Sat 27th	11.00am - 2.00pm	Armed Forces Day including a Dog Show at Pirbright Village Green
Sun 28th	9.00am 10.00am 11.15am	The Parish Dash at Lord Pirbright's Hall Church on the Green at Lord Pirbright's Hall followed by Summer BBQ Holy Communion Service at St Mark's Church GU3 2DA
Every Mon	10.00am - 11.30am	Baby & Toddler Group at St Michael's Pirbright Church Room (term time only)

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