



# MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS 2023-24



**23**  
MAY

## Book Launch at Chapter Two and Discussion by Beyond Difference

Attended by: The Deputy Mayor

Author Peter Waddell was in conversation about his new book Broken Gospel, with Yossi Eli of Beyond Difference.



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MAY

## Chesham Italian Automoto Festival

Attended by: The Mayor

Very happy to have supported the launch of the 1st ever Chesham Italian Automoto Festival, which brought more than 6,500 visitors to our high street. With record sales and business promotion opportunities for the shops that were open on the day, the Automoto Festival was a resounding success and is expected to become a fixture in our annual town diary.



**03**  
JUN

## Schools of Chesham Carnival Ticket Sales Promotion

Joined the organisers of Schools of Chesham Carnival on the Broadway to purchase and help them promote the sale of their fundraiser raffles tickets.

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MAY



## Chiltern Chalk Streams Project On the Moor

Attended by: The Mayor and Deputy

The Chilterns Chalk Streams Project works with local people across the Chilterns to improve river habitats, improve access and enjoyment and promote the sustainable use of water.

**02**  
JUN



## Chesham Town Twinning Association Receipt of Gift from France

Attended by: The Mayor

Received a gift from Mayor of Houllies, Julien Chambon, through former Mayor of Chesham, Roderick McCulloch, who was kind enough to represent me in Houllies, at the International Weekend, as Roderick works to reinvigorate the Chesham Town Twinning Association.

Attended by: The Mayor

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JUN

## Lord Chief Justice Award Ceremony and Gala Dinner - High Wycombe

Attended by: The Mayor

Represented Chesham at the Lord Chief Justice Award Ceremony with Gala Dinner, held in in honour of over 20 years of magisterial duties by Cllr Mahboob Bhatti, Justice of Peace, at High Wycombe Town Hall.



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JUN

## Mayor of Chesham Civic Service at St Mary's Church Chesham

Attended by: The Mayor and Deputy

At my Civic Service, I set out my vision of Destination Chesham. I welcomed and hosted the Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire, the Countess Howe, Deputy Lieutenant of Heartfordshire, Ahktar Zaman, Mayors and Chairs, distinguished guests, friends and my family who came from London to support me on the day at St Mary's Church. I also thanked everyone who helped organise and helped to make the day a success!!!



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JUN

## Beyond Difference

Met with director of Beyond Difference, Arabella Norton to offer my support for their interfaith events that are designed to build ridges across our diverse local communities.

Attended by: The Mayor

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## Schools of Chesham Carnival

Attended by: The Mayor and Deputy

I was delighted to participate in this year's Schools of Chesham Carnival. They put on an amazing show on a sunny and fantastic day in Chesham - There's nothing better than when our community comes together for a celebration!!!

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JUN



## Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Armed Forces' Briefing 2023

Attended by: The Mayor

I was delighted to have participated in the Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Armed Forces' Briefing 2023 at The Army Reserve Centre in Aylesbury, by the South East RFCA to learn about our military Reservists and Cadet recruitment strategy across the County, and the excellent work they do.

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## OPWC 8th Anniversary Chilton Road, Chesham

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported our local British-Pakistani community as they celebrated the 8th Anniversary of the Overseas Pakistanis Welfare Council.



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JUN

## 1st Tylers Hill Scouts - Ley Hill Memorial Hall

Attended by: The Mayor and Consort

Supported 1st Tylers Hill Scout & Rotary to promote their Ukraine Crisis Taskforce to provide Friendship boxes for children who are suffering the trauma of war, seeing things they shouldn't be seeing and having their education disrupted in Ukraine.



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JUN

## Investiture 1st Chesham Squirrel Scouts - Lowndes Park

Attended by: The Mayor

Happy to have supported 1st Chesham Scouts with their investiture of the first group of Squirrels in Chesham and only the 10th in Buckinghamshire.

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JUN



## Service at Hope Church Chesham

Attended by: The Mayor and Consort

Attended Hope Church Chesham and engaged with members of our Christian community, in order to share my vision of Destination Chesham with them.

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JUN



## Investiture 2nd Chesham Scouts - Trinity Baptist Church

Attended by: The Mayor and Consort

Great supporting the Beavers and Cubs Investiture at 2nd Chesham Scouts at Trinity Baptist Church on Red Lion Street. It would seem I still remember the pledge 4 decades on!



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## Restore Hope - Latimer Park

Attended by: The Mayor and Consort

It was great visiting Restore Hope and learning about some of the amazing work they do in our local community, supporting children, families and young people who are facing challenging situations.



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JUL

## Beyond Difference - Chesham Town Hall

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported Arabella Norton, Chair of Beyond Difference as they work to bring our diverse communities together through interfaith and cross-cultural events, dialogue and activities.



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JUL

## Overseas Pakistani Welfare Council - OPWC

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported our local British-Pakistani community by attending their the OPWC dinner in Slough.

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JUN



## Helen & Douglas House

Attended by: The Mayor and Deputy

Judged the Pet Competition at Helen & Douglas House. Learnt more about how they support children with cancer in need of hospice care.

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JUL



## Waterside Primary Academy

Attended by: The Mayor

It was great to briefly meet with some of our amazing students and teachers at Waterside Primary Academy, as the brought music and mirth to the high street. Looking forward to supporting your future events!!!



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JUL

## Charity Fundraising Meeting

Attended by: The Mayor

Met with Love Lowndes, Lennox Children Cancer Fund, Caracol Youth Development and Restore at Town Hall to discuss fundraising and events we can do together during my year as Mayor.



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JUL

## Hats Off Chesham, High Street Event by Chesham Connect

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported Michael Rowan, Kate Hutchinson and the team at Chesham Connect for their annual Hats Off High Street event, which aims to promote the high street and Destination Chesham.



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JUL

## Celebration of Life for Stuart Ottley at White Hill Centre

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported the family of Stuart Ottley along with his friends and members of the community by attending a celebration of life event at White Hill.

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JUL



## Hub Care Support

Attended by: The Mayor

Met with Natasha and Larissa from Hub Care Support - Chesham. Learnt about the vital gap they fill in the Adult Social Care market. They work to raise and maintain standards within care by providing a transparent mechanism to vet and hire independent carers who undergo their QCAS certification.

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JUL



## Civic Service for the Mayor of High Wycombe

Attended by: The Mayor

Attended. the Civic Service in support of my colleague, Cllr Paul Turner, Mayor of High Wycombe at St James Church, Plomer Hill.

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## Roald Dahl Museum and Waterside Primary

Attended by: The Mayor

Handed out awards at a Clock Tower to the children of Waterside Primary at their event supported by the Roald Dahl Museum.



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JUL

## Love Lowndes Fundraising Meeting

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported the team at Love Lowndes in their fundraising meeting as they work tirelessly to raise awareness of Love Lowndes to raise funds for our new park.



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JUL

## Chesham Rotary Club

Met with local Rotary Club of Chesham to learn about their local charitable projects and to share my vision for Destination Chesham.

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## Chesham in Bloom Judging

Attended by: The Mayor

Very delighted to have supported our friends and colleagues from Chesham in Bloom as they met this year's Britain in Bloom judges.

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JUL



## BMKALC Meeting Chairing Workshop for Mayors and Chairs

Attended by: The Mayor

Attended the meeting chairing workshop for mayors and chairs and met a number of fellow mayors, members of BMKALC.

Attended by: The Mayor

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03  
AUG

## Meet & Eat, Chesham Free Family Lunch at the United Reform Church

Attended by: The Mayor

Had the honour of helping Rosemary and the team at Chesham United Reformed Church, serve hot meals to some of our local children who are enjoying the holidays. What a fantastic initiative by the church!



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AUG

## Chesham Allotments Group

Attended by: The Mayor

Very happy to have supported on of my favourite events of the year with the Allotments Group Open Day. I can highly recommend their Courgette cake.



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AUG

## Pakistani Independence Day - Elgiva

Attended by: The Mayor and Deputy

Supported our local British-Pakistani community as they celebrated Pakistani Independence Day 2023.

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AUG



## Restore Hope Latimer Park

Attended by: The Mayor

Attended an amazingly organised event by Restore Hope, Latimer Park, who provide a summer retreat styled event for children and families who are unable to afford a holiday.

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AUG



## Chesham United Football Club - Sponsorship Match

Attended by: The Mayor

I was very delighted to have sponsored Chesham United Football Club's first home match of the season whilst promoting my charity appeal Love Lowndes.



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SEPT

## OPWC - Pakistan Armed Forces Day

Attended by: The Mayor

Attended, along with the High Commissioner of Pakistan, a dinner party event organised by OPWC to celebrate their armed forces day.



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SEPT

## Caracol Charity Garage Sale

Attended by: The Mayor

Supported local garage sale, fundraising for one of my designated charities Caracol - Youth Community Development. They are #Chesham based and operate in Belize.



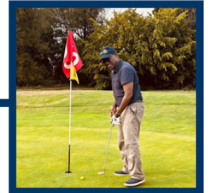
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## Clocktober Fest

Attended by: The Mayor

Never mind going all the way to Germany for Oktoberfest, when you can enjoy Clocktoberfest, organised at Clock Tower in Market Square by the entrepreneurial duo of Trekkers and Mad Squirrel. I was also able to support Love Lowndes and on the day we raised over £700.

08  
SEPT



## Charity Golf Day Practice

Attended by: The Mayor

Met with local resident Paul Norman, for my first practice round of golf, as he's kindly agreed to get me prepared for my charity golf day in Spring 2024.

09  
SEPT



## Chartfest by Chartridge Combined School

Attended by: The Mayor

Was very happy to meet the head teacher and his team from Chartridge School, as they launched Chartfest, which they plan to turn into an annual community and fundraiser event on their school grounds.

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SEPT

## Meeting with Sculptor Adrian Vale

Attended by: The Mayor

Met with local resident Arian Vale, and made plans to use his wooden sculptors of our Clock Tower and War memorial, as gifts to the mayors of Friedrichsdorf and Houillies, respectively.



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SEPT

## Battle of Britain Church Service

Attended by: The Mayor and Deputy

Happy to have joined the Mayor of High Wycombe for the Battle of Britain service, where I laid a wreath on behalf of Chesham Town Council and our residents. The Deputy Mayor also attended the Battle of Britain Service on my behalf at St John The Evangelist, Ashley Green where he laid a wreath.



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SEPT

## Town Twinning Trip to Germany

Delighted to have represented Chesham, at the Cultural Weekend in Germany, alongside the Mayor of Friedrichsdorf and the Town Twinning Associations of Friedrichsdorf, Houilles and Chesham, which is led by former mayor Roderick McCulloch. I enjoyed the warm welcome and hospitality, the classical music concert, and the opportunity to help reinvigorate town twinning. There were dozens of enthusiastic representatives from Friedrichsdorf and Houilles, and sadly only three from Chesham. I would encourage this Town Council to proactively support town twinning, as a means to help forge friendships, cultural exchange and business between Chesham and our twinned towns in Europe.

Attended by: The Mayor

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SEPT



## 10th Commonwealth Youth Ministers Meeting in London

Attended by: The Mayor

Very honoured to have engaged with The Commonwealth Secretary-General Patricia Scotland and the amazing team at Conservative Friends Of The Commonwealth, representatives from Cameroon, Sri Lanka, Barbados, and India, among others, at the 10th Commonwealth Youth Ministers Meeting.

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SEPT



## Photoshoot with Sculptor Adrian Vale

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