

ABINGDON-ON-THAMES TOWN COUNCIL

Report to	Community Committee
Meeting date	18 February 2026
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Agenda item	9

Update of Clubs and Societies Day

1. **Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To update the Community Committee on the organisation of Clubs and Societies Day 2026.

2. **Summary**

- 2.1 It was decided in the Community Committee meeting held on 19th November that Clubs and Societies Day would be run annually. This year the event will be held on Saturday 11th April 2026. Clubs and Societies Day is a free event for all to attend and showcases Abingdon's local Clubs and Societies who wish to promote their activities to the wider community.

3. **Action required**

- 3.1 To note update.

4. **Link to strategic plan and objectives**

- 4.1 KO2 - To develop a resilient, sustainable town which will provide a home for residents now and in the future.

KO3 - To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future.

KO4 - To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity.

5. **Key information and options**

- 5.1 Clubs and Societies Day is taking place on Saturday 11th April at the Guildhall in

the Roysse Room and Old Magistrates Court. Venues also include the Market Place, St. Nicholas Church and Unit 25. As of 30th January 2026, there were 71 groups registering their interest. The event has been added to the Abingdon-on-Thames Town Council website, www.visitsouthernoxfordshire.co.uk, added as a date for your diary on the latest Town Crier and added to the e-newsletter sent to 473 subscribers. Boosted posts on Meta to follow. 2x interchangeable banners have been ordered and posters designed and ready to be printed. Posters will be removed the week commencing 13th April.

7. **Climate change/green implications**

7.1 Comments

8. **Financial/budget implications**

8.1

Item	Cost
Abingdon Events Partnership	£1500.00
2x Banners	£222.00
Printing of Posters	£30.00
2x Roller Banners	£160.00
Meta Ads	£100
Total	£2,012.00
Agreed Budget	£3,000

9. **HR implications**

9.1 Project Manager for Business and Community Engagement to lead on overall event with support from Abingdon Events Partnership.