

Chislehurst Matters

Councillors' Update AUTUMN 2025



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We believe local politics is about what happens in your road, in your High Street, and in your community. Not the endless soap opera of Westminster. That's why we formed Chislehurst Matters – to work for you and to work for Chislehurst

Working for you, working for Chislehurst

To give you an idea of the sort of things we do as councillors for Chislehurst, here are some of the meetings, events, and activities we have been involved in over the last month or so...

- Safer neighbourhood meeting with our local police team to talk about crime prevention in Chislehurst. We discussed issues such as burglary, car theft, and anti-social behaviour
- Health Scrutiny committee to discuss threatened closure of the Chartwell cancer ward at the PRUH
- Representing Chislehurst on various council committees including Development Control, Environment, and Adult Care and Health
- Twice a month councillor surgeries, so Chislehurst residents can talk to us face-to-face about issues they have that they need our help with
- Meeting with the Chief Executive of Bromley Council to discuss key issues and how they affect our community
- Visits to residents to discuss issues of concern including trees, noise nuisance, housing, planning, and road safety
- Attending events such as Chislehurst Creates, Chislehurst School for Girls, allotment open days, and working on the bar at Chislehurst Beerfest!
- Liaison with council contractors and utility companies about water leaks, roadworks and traffic management
- Progressing key issues, such as road safety in Ashfield Lane and the new crossings at the War Memorial
- PLUS dealing with the numerous queries we get on a daily basis from residents, businesses, and community groups who are looking for our help and advice.



If you'd like to know more about what we do, or if you think we can help you with a council-related issue, please get in touch. Contact details are on the back page.

After 60 years of trying – pedestrian crossings at the War Memorial junction!

We heard from an ex-Chislehurst resident who told us that they remember the lack of pedestrian crossings near the War Memorial being an issue in the mid-60s!

Like everybody else, we are disappointed that it was not possible to install crossings at the junction itself. While the new scheme may not be everything many had hoped for, it represents a significant step forward in enabling everyone to cross safely, especially children and the elderly.

There's also a new traffic island in Centre Common Road and plans for a new crossing on Bromley Lane are well advanced.



Blue badge holders

We played an active role in the successful campaign against plans to introduce parking charges for Blue Badge holders in Chislehurst and throughout the Bromley borough.

Working with local campaigners and members of the community, we raised concerns, spread the word, and pushed for the Council to listen and are delighted that the decision was overturned.



We've got a better library!

In August we were pleased to attend the re-opening of the newly re-developed Chislehurst library.

We think the renovation works make a huge difference, and there's proper step-free access for the disabled and people with prams and buggies.

During the closure we helped ensure that a range of library-related services and activities continued to be available in Hornbrook House.



Road safety on Ashfield Lane

We've been trying to get improved signage to slow down traffic around the pond in Ashfield Lane, both to improve road safety and help protect the wildlife in the area.

The council have responded positively to our suggestions for new signs and markings to help slow traffic down and raise awareness of the dangers at the junction.



Potholes

The resurfacing of Albany Road, Orpington Road, and between Greenway and Prince Imperial, are much-needed improvement, and we're pleased that Edgebury is also scheduled for resurfacing in October.

We are actively pushing for ongoing improvements to our road network and appreciate your help in bringing attention to these issues.



Improving our open spaces

The garden area in front of the Age UK building had been looking tired and scruffy for some time since the building became empty.

So, helped by many local volunteers, we organised a big clear up to make it far more attractive and welcoming to residents and visitors to the High Street.





Need any help or advice? Then get in touch

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Our surgeries

If you'd rather meet with us face-to-face then visit one of our regular councillor surgeries.

These are held on the **FIRST FRIDAY** and the **THIRD SATURDAY** each month at various locations in Chislehurst.

You can find details on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and our website. We also put up posters on noticeboards around the ward confirming the date and location.

You don't need to make an appointment. Just turn up, and we'll do our best to help you.

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