

PROVISIONAL DATES FOR RETURNING EVENTS IN 2026

We're pleased to share the provisional dates for some of Crediton's best-loved community events in 2026. Please note these may be subject to change — we'll confirm final details closer to the time.

Boniface Bash - Saturday, 6 June

Crediton Food Festival - Saturday, 11 July

Christmas in Crediton Lights Switch-On - Saturday, 28 November Late

Night Shopping - Friday, 4 December & Friday, 11 December

COMMUNITY GRANTS 2026-27

Our aim is to improve local lives in Crediton through enhancing community facilities, reducing food poverty, promoting health and well-being and building resilience. A big thanks to all the groups and organisations bringing people together. Keep an eye on future newsletters to find out how your money is spent.

Crediton Talking Newspaper - £350
St Boniface Concert Society - £650
Crediton Arts Centre - £700
Crediton Bowling Club - £700
Crediton BSL - £700
Crediton Heart Project - £700
North Creedy Choral Society - £700
Crediton Netball League - £700
Crediton Arts Centre - £1000
Crediton Youth Theatre - £1000
Crediton & District Swimming Club - £1500
CAHMS - £1500
Crediton Town Band - £1500
Journey Counselling Service - £1500
CODS - £2000
Crediton Heart Project - £2000
QE School- £2200
Involve Voluntary Action in Mid Devon - £2550
Sustainable Crediton - £2915
Crediton Congregational Church - £3000
The Folklore Library & Archive - £3000
Crediton Parkrun - £3000
EPIC Family CIC - £3000
Bang Bang Boxing - £3000
Crediton Youth Orchestra- £3000
Holy Cross Junior Choir - £3000
CHAT - £3000
Animating Devon CIC - £3000
Significant Seams CIC - £3000
The Turning Tides Project CIC - £3000

TOTAL APPROVED: £57,865

ANNUAL BUDGET 2026-2027

Who is Crediton Town Council and what do we do?

Crediton Town Council is the first tier of local government, acting as the voice of Crediton residents while managing town facilities, supporting community projects, guiding local planning, and supporting a well-maintained, forward-looking, and vibrant town.

Community Grants – 10%

Youth Service Delivery – 10%

CCTV – 2%

Floral displays, Summer Programme & Christmas – 9%

Community Events & Partnership Projects – 3%

Allotment Sites – 1%

Environment & Public Open Spaces – 11%

Council Administration & Facilitation – 54%

*Above figures represent % of total budgeted spend of £524,995 (with remaining balance being transferred to Earmarked Reserves).

1. Managing Local Facilities & Assets

Including:

Three allotment sites

The War Memorial

St Boniface Statue

The Bandstand Peoples Park

Small open spaces such as Fulda Crescent and Spinning path Gardens

Footpaths

Floral displays

Newcombes Meadow

Public toilets

2. Planning & Town Strategy

CTC: Reviews and comments on planning applications

Prepares and continues to develop the Crediton Neighbourhood Plan Works with stakeholders on highways, traffic, lighting, public transport, and public toilets Supports heritage, historic environment, and arts-related matters Promotes the town to residents and visitors

3. Finance, Governance & Policy

CTC: Develops multi-year budgets and recommends the town's precept

Oversees earmarked reserves and capital planning

Conducts internal control checks and risk assessments

4. Youth Work & Community Support

CTC provides a youth service. It also supports local community organisations, cultural events, and town initiatives. It offers grants to local organisations.

5. Community Engagement & Representation

CTC: Holds various meetings (agendas and minutes published online) Provides drop-in

sessions and appointments with staff. Communicates via newsletters, its website, and social media Represents local interests to Mid Devon District Council and Devon County Council.

6. Climate & Sustainability Initiatives

CTC supports sustainability and climate-focused projects, including:

Low-carbon policies
Sustainable maintenance of town assets
Supports green initiatives where possible

CTC's main source of income is from Mid Devon District Council as part of your council tax. This part of your council tax is known as the precept. We use the precept to fund the functions and services Crediton Town Council provides.

A copy of the 26-27 budget can be accessed at: [www.crediton.gov.uk/ Finance/Budget-Precept](http://www.crediton.gov.uk/Finance/Budget-Precept)

TREE - SPOTTING WALK - SUNDAY 19 APRIL

As part of the development of the Crediton Tree Warden Network, we will be walking along the footpath from Crediton to Sandford on Sunday, 19 April 2026. Meet at 11.00 am at the Crediton end of the footpath

- everyone is welcome. Our focus on this walk is tree identification, from buds and bark, as well as leaves and shape. The footpath and Sandford Millennium Green were established in 2000 and there are both native and introduced trees along the way. It is suitable whatever your level of knowledge of trees!

The starting point of the footpath is on Higher Road near to the junction of Alexandra Road. Parking is available along Alexandra Road. The distance from Crediton to Sandford is about 1.5 miles. Please note that the path is on firm ground but there are some uphill sections on the return. The starting point 'what3words' location is [///badly.acrobat.hospitals](https://www.what3words.com/#!/en/what3words/badly.acrobat.hospitals). Contact for further details: a.stobart@herbaid.co.uk

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

The next public discussion is on Tuesday, 17 March - 7.00 pm

Do you have something you would really like to discuss, but don't know who to go to? This could be something to do with where you live, parking or getting involved in volunteering around the town - a reminder that we are at the library at 7pm on the third Tuesday of the month prior to our Full Council meeting. This is a chance for members of public to come along to meet town, district and county councillors to have an informal chat about any issues concerning you. Come along and join us for a tea or coffee and a warm space to chat.

CREDITON ENTRANCE SIGNS RETURN

We're pleased to share that the entrance signs are back. We fully recognise the frustration caused by the delay in replacing them - it should not have taken 12 months to reach this point.

Please be assured that our concerns about the ordering process and the delays encountered have been formally raised with Devon County Council. We would like to thank everyone for your patience while this has been resolved.

PEOPLES PARK NOTICEBOARD

We are delighted with our new noticeboard at the eastern edge of Peoples Park. Originally from Sandford Parish, it has been repaired by Cllr Fawssett and now has a new lease of life! It will provide information about the Wildlife Garden, just

above it and the Town Council will also use it to promote other environmental projects, as part of our commitment to tackling the Climate and Ecological Crisis.

We now need a new sign for the Wildlife Garden and are looking to commission this. Please get in touch if you can help! We are also looking for volunteers to join the team managing the Wildlife Garden. Please contact Cllr Fawssett or the office on 01363 773717 or email e.anderson@crediton.gov.uk.

ALLOTMENT NEWS

After 54 years of renting an allotment at Exhibition Road, a long standing tenant has decided to hang up his fork for a final time. The tenant said “it was a sad thought to be retiring from the plot, but it was the right time especially with all the recent wet weather”!

He has helped the town council with allotment issues over the years and he will be sorely missed by us, Penni Tearle, Chair of the Boniface Allotments Association and his fellow allotment holders. Thank you for your hard work and commitment!

Since our last newsletter, Amazon spending stands at £0.00!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH

TUES 03 - FULL COUNCIL MEETING, CREDITON LIBRARY, BELLE PARADE 19.00

SAT 07 - FARMERS MARKET, CREDITON TOWN SQUARE 10.00 - 13.00

SAT 14 - CREDITON COMMUNITY CONVERSATION BONIFACE CENTRE 09.30 - 13.00

TUES 17 - FULL COUNCIL MEETING, CREDITON LIBRARY, BELLE PARADE 19.30 (PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM 19.00)

APRIL

SAT 04 - FARMERS MARKET, CREDITON TOWN SQUARE 10.00 - 13.00

TUES 07 - FULL COUNCIL MEETING, CREDITON LIBRARY, BELLE PARADE 19.00

SAT 18 - FARMERS MARKET, CREDITON TOWN SQUARE 10.00 - 13.00

TUES 21 - FULL COUNCIL MEETING, CREDITON LIBRARY, BELLE PARADE 19.30 (PUBLIC DISCUSSION FROM 19.00)

SAT 21 - FARMERS MARKET, CREDITON TOWN SQUARE 10.00 - 13.00

Council Office Update!

Sadly due to extended internal works, we are not yet operational from our new offices on North Street. Please find us at the library on a Monday between 10.00 and 14.00. Keep an eye on our social media pages and website for updates.

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More on our website: www.crediton.gov.uk/useful-contacts