

Burgess Hill Town Council

PRESS RELEASE



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Burgess Hill Town Council puts on programme of events through the Welcome Back Fund

The Welcome Back Fund is providing councils across England a share of £56 million from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) to support the safe return to high streets and help build back better from the pandemic. A programme of events running from November – March was approved by Burgess Hill Town Council at the Full Council Meeting on 20 September and is now being progressed.

Details of these events will also be publicised through our usual channels - website, social media and noticeboards. Events will also all be publicised through our Events Mailing List, sign up now on our website, www.burgesshill.gov.uk.

Upcoming Events

13 November - Outdoor Escape Game

Test your puzzle-solving skills while racing to solve clues around the Town Centre. The Escape-room style game encourages teams to work together in a pressure-cooker environment, with clues or puzzles at each checkpoint. Solve all the puzzles and return to base to claim victory!

- FREE Activity - no need to book
- Burgess Hill Town Centre - Start Point Town Council Help Point
- 10am-2pm - make sure you allow enough time to complete the game, which can take up to 60 minutes
- Just bring a team and a smart phone for scanning the QR code clues
- Difficulty level age 16 plus, children can take part in a family group with adults to assist. Not suitable for very young children due to the nature of the activity

Town Centre Trail and Exhibition

Burgess Hill Town Council is working with Burgess Hill Artists and Lens Cap Off to put on a town centre Art and Photography Trail and pop-up Exhibition.

Through the week beginning 13 November, artworks and photographs by these local groups will be displayed in business windows throughout the town, culminating in an exhibition in St John's Church 10am - 3pm on Saturday 20 November.

The trail and exhibition are part of the lead up to It's Christmas in Burgess Hill, which is running 11-5.30pm on 20 November.

You can pick up a trail guide listing all of the artists, photographers and the display locations from the Town Council Help Point.

- Trail: 13-20 November, windows in the Town Centre
- Exhibition: 20 November 10am-3pm, St John's Church

19 November - Fire Show

The atmosphere in Burgess Hill will be heating up with an exhilarating Fire Show in the Town Centre on Friday 19 November. This exciting addition to the French Market, which will be on Church Walk from 9am

- 5pm, kicks off at 4.30pm, providing a brilliant start to Burgess Hill's Christmas Weekend.

- FREE event
- Poi Passion Circus and Fire Arts
- Church Walk, opposite the Town Council Help Point
- 4.30pm - 5pm

20 November - LED Light Show

You won't want to miss this one-off Grand Finale to the Christmas Light's Switch On, featuring a multi-faceted performance using LED poi, staff, hula hoop, diabalo and more. The group of amazing acrobats will put on a 15 minute show like no other, rounding off what is set to be a packed day of entertainment.

- FREE show
- The stage, Church Walk, opposite the Town Council Help Point
- 5.05pm - 5.20pm, after the lights are switched on

FREE ACTIVITY Burgess Hill
Town Council

OUTDOOR ESCAPE GAME

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BURGESS HILL TOWN CENTRE
START POINT TOWN COUNCIL HELP POINT

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With
Burgess Hill Artists and Lens Cap Off

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as part of It's Christmas in Burgess Hill

A selection of local Art and Photography

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CHRISTMAS
WEEKEND**



**FIRE SHOW
WITH POI PASSION
FRIDAY 19 NOVEMBER
4.30PM
CHURCH WALK**

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THE LIGHTS SWITCH ON
SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER
5PM
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Editors Note

The programme is receiving up to £6000 of funding from the England European Regional Development Fund as part of the European Structural and Investment Funds Growth Programme 2014-2020. The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (and in London the intermediate body Greater London Authority) is the Managing Authority for European Regional Development Fund. Established by the European Union, the European Regional Development Fund helps local areas stimulate their economic development by investing in projects which will support innovation, businesses, create jobs and local community regenerations. For more information visit <https://www.gov.uk/european-growth-funding>.

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