



Waltham Abbey Town Partnership - News

We are working closely with our new Town Centre manager (TCM) as well as WATC and EFDC, to help develop and promote our town.

New official links have been created, and we are all determined that we can continue to work together. This will enable us to all benefit from the plans we have and the work that we have already done and intend to do.

One thing that has become glaringly obvious is that we have to have a united determination to create a town that is attractive to visit , a pleasure to work in and of benefit to our Businesses.

To be as united as we need to be we must be prepared to make our voices heard and 'join in'.

The very first thing to do is to become involved with, or at least aware of, the Waltham Abbey Town Partnership. It is your quickest way to becoming central to our development, and we need you!

To find out more, just ask via chairwalthamabbeytp@gmail.com

Now to the news: You will have seen the Welcome to our Town Centre signs go up recently.

The funding came from Essex CC, and the signs were designed and erected by WATP.

It was a project that took 10 months to materialise, but we got there in



the end.

The Heritage Trail Historic Information Boards will soon be coming to town, and they will contain some fascinating insights into some of the buildings that once graced our town. They will take the form of the example shown here.



As with everyone else, all of our activities had to be put on ice last year. The Pancake Races were a particularly sad miss but will hopefully



be back to add fun to Sun Street next year.

We plan to re-start all of our activities but added to them will be a greater direct involvement with our businesses. That does depend, to a great degree, on all of us playing our part.

Our objective going forward is to become central to the planned development of Waltham Abbey. We aim to encourage every single business operating in our town centre and beyond, to make themselves known to us.

We have continued to hold our 'open' Steering Committee meetings via Zoom throughout the pandemic, but as from July the meeting will be back in the Council Chamber.

We meet at 9.15am, on the second Tuesday of each month. The meeting time is used to report on local issues, to discuss and plan future projects.

There is always a representative from both the Town Council and EFDC, thus ensuring that what we discuss is known to all levels of local government.



Because Waltham Abbey is currently a priority development area of Epping Forest District now is the time to become involved with the Partnership!

So whatever business you are in we would like to speak to you!



More information about the Partnership can be seen on our Facebook page.

Here's to a return to the good old days when meeting each other was not something that needed to be planned like an army manoeuvre but could be done spontaneously.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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