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New Chair and Vice Chair for the Council



Councillor Mike Bird was voted in as Chair at the Annual Town Council Meeting (5 May), with Emily Miller voted in as Vice Chair.

Mike has been an Independent Nailsea Town Councillor for 6 years, working on the local Planning Committee and chairing the Community Engagement Group.

Mike said: "I'd like to thank all those who have put their faith in me to take this Council forward. It will be my privilege to serve as Chair of Nailsea Town Council and on behalf of the residents of Nailsea. As I also represent Nailsea as North Somerset District Councillor, I hope this will give weight to the voice of Nailsea residents locally."

Emily Miller was voted in as Vice Chair after only seven months as Councillor, taking over from David Packham.

Emily said: "I'm delighted to be given the opportunity to be Vice Chair of our Town Council. Having grown up in Nailsea I'm so passionate about our lovely town and I'm excited to keep working hard to improve facilities and opportunities for all who live here."

All of our Town Councillors are volunteers who are keen to help improve our local community. If you'd like to know more about your local council, please get in touch or come along a Wednesday council meeting, held at the Tithe Barn.

Your Councillors

Youngwood Ward

Jan Barber, Jeremy Blatchford, Dee Houlbrook, Clare Hunt, Emily Miller

Yeo Ward

Mary Blatchford, Liz Frappell, Jo Hopkinson, Anita Smith, Jon Argles

Golden Valley Ward

Jane Holt, Rod Lees, Chris Watts, David Packham, Neil Middleton

West End Ward

Mike Bird, Oliver Ellis, Antony Hobbs, Ben Kushner, James Tonkin

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The Tithe Barn, Church Lane, Nailsea, BS48 4NG. nailseatowncouncil.gov.uk

Message from Councillor Jan Barber as she retires as Chair

"We have faced an extraordinary eighteen months as a town. I have seen and heard of so many wonderful examples where people have gone the extra mile to help their fellow residents; the sense of community has never been stronger. I'm pleased to see community initiatives like the Nailsea Community Group (originally set up as Covid-19 Help Group) flourishing, thanks to the hard work and passion behind the team running it. I'd also like to mention thanks to those involved in the running and the set-up of The Community Larder, Nailsea Active and No 65 – three very useful community resources that are there to help us all practically and emotionally as we emerge out of lockdown and back into a 'new normal', and beyond."

"It has been a privilege to serve the town as Chair of Nailsea Town Council these last two years. I wish our new Chair Mike and Vice Chair Emily the very best as they seek to guide and serve the town."

Jan continues to serve Nailsea as Town Councillor representing the Youngwood ward.

Weddings recommence



Nailsea Tithe Barn is open again for civil wedding ceremonies.

With a huge beautiful vaulted ceiling and exposed timber frames, soft grey stone and hidden owl holes, the Barn is full of romance and character. Current restrictions allow for 30 guests but this will change in due course.

To book a tour or find out more contact Trudy on 07951 367703.

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Our environment matters

Like many councils around the UK, we have set up a Climate Emergency Working Party as a response to the global environmental issues we are facing. The working party meet monthly to recognise and implement environmentally friendly changes to Council's activities, and the wider town, so that we can all benefit from living in a more sustainable community. We work with other local councils and groups to see what works best to tackle climate issues at a local level.

As a Council, we've made some quick changes in our office by moving to greener energy suppliers, where possible reducing our single-use plastic, and using recycled paper.

In the town, we've built more bike storage points, encouraged tree planting, and are seeking town green status for some of our public open spaces. We will question the green credentials of any new build in the town, requesting that green initiatives like bike storage and solar panels are considered and put in place, and we continue to lobby across both central and local government for sustainable housing.

We're keen to hear ideas and suggestions from our residents about how we can be more environmentally sustainable, so please do get in touch!

Recycling on our doorstep

A selection of places to recycle hard to dispose of items:

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Collects: flexible bacterial wipes & laundry products, crisp packets, Carex hand wash products, Aqua Optima water filters, cleaning pouches, dishwasher pouches and packaging, kid's food pouches

Waitrose

Collects: plastic bags, Brita filters, batteries

Tesco

Collects: soft plastics e.g. bread bags, fruit and vegetable packaging, salad bags, baby and pet food pouches, crisp packets, clothing

Cohens Chemist

Collects: medicine and supplements foil/plastic packaging

John Brown

Collects: marigold washing up gloves, toothpaste tubes and electric toothbrush heads

Superdrug

Collects: Maybelline products

Boots Optician

Collects: Acuvue products

Please tell us about any other recycling points you know.

Green spotlight

Each edition we will highlight an environmental issue that we are passionate about – this time it's recycling. We have a number of fantastic organisations in Nailsea that promote renew, reuse and recycling initiatives. One of these is our High Street zero waste shop: **Simply Green**.

Selling a wide range of dried foods and zero waste lifestyle products, Simply Green offers a plastic-free alternative to the over packaged items found in supermarkets. Stored in easy-to-use dispensers and jars, customers are encouraged to bring in their empty containers and fill them with as little or as much as they need.

Owner Bethan set up Simply Green in November 2018 as a market stall in Nailsea and quickly saw the appetite for plastic-free goods grow. The shop opened on the High Street in March 2019, with a sister shop opening in Portishead in Feb 2020.

Nailsea residents have helped to **save nearly 10,000 pieces of plastic this year** by shopping at Simply Green! **Each time we shop like this, we're reducing the amount of single-use plastic on the planet. Let's all do our bit!**

FACT FILE

Who: Simply Green

Where: 132 The High Street

Follow: @simplygreenzw

Best seller: Organic mixed nuts and Shampoo bars

Most unusual product: Locally made hummus

Get in touch if you would like your green initiative featured:

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A place connecting people

No 65 High Street is an informal drop-in venue for anyone wanting advice, support and friendship, and it's an important base for a wide variety of local groups and services.

Visit our web page to see what activities and groups are on: [nailseatown.com/65-high-street](https://www.nailseatown.com/65-high-street)
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Mon-Thurs 9.30am-4pm
Fri 9.30am-1pm

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