



There have been so many events in Ashby this summer and each and every one has had a great turnout and immense local support whatever the weather.

On Saturday 22nd April the Italian Street Market returned to Brook Street with a wide range of delicious fresh Italian produce which proved to be very popular.

At the end of May, Ashby Art's Festival was another huge success with seven galleries across town, a multitude of events and the amazing outdoor gallery.

The first ever Ashby Festival of Transport took place on Sunday 2nd July with an array of vintage cars and vehicles.

And now in its eighth year, Jim's Tractor Run and Family Fun Day once more took over the Bath Grounds and in fact the whole town with its parade of almost 100 tractors and vehicles on Sunday 30th July. Despite the showers the town turned out in force to enjoy the rides, stalls and ever popular Fun Dog Show. New this year and a huge hit were Charnwood Forest Alpacas.

There are plenty more events coming up and here's a reminder of the dates to put in your diary:

- 15th to 19th September – Ashby Statutes**
- 1st October – Phillip Bent Commemoration Ceremony**
- 7th October – Ashby's FABulous**
- 11th November – Armistice Day**
- 12th November – Remembrance Day**
- 2nd December – Christmas Fair and Market**
- 3rd December – Santa's Fun Run**

More details of each of these events can be found on the Town Council website and will be shared via Ashby Life.

AND IN OTHER NEWS....

Over twelve months ago the Town Council acquired two defibrillators for use in the town centre. These have now been installed at each end of town with one placed near to the public toilets on Derby Street and the other in Huntingdon Court.

Work is due to begin on North Street with demolition of the old Health Centre imminent. The addition of a new car park with 48 parking spaces is just one of the developments planned for North Street. The car park will be kitted out with electric points and facilities for future town events and access to Hood Park Leisure

Centre improved along with general regeneration of the area.

The Ashby Project is progressing well across all areas with development of the marketing and branding of the town nearing completion. We will bring you further details of this in upcoming issues.

Ashby's Neighbourhood Plan has now been submitted for consideration by North West Leicestershire District Council. Following a consultation period of six weeks it will then be subject to an examiner report.

Finally, the town council have invested in a new Christmas lighting scheme for Ashby. We won't give too much away as we don't want to spoil the surprise but the trees we have had in recent years will be replaced. The large tree outside WH Smiths will remain as will Blackfordby's usual lights and tree.

DATES FOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

These are published on the Community Board of Ashby Life each month. The public are welcome to attend and there is always a slot for public questions. Find out more about your Town Council by visiting the offices at Legion House, South Street, Ashby de la Zouch, calling 01530 416961 or via the website at www.ashbydelazouch.info

