THE BISHOPSTON, MURTON AND MANSELFIELD CHRONICLE

SPRING 2026

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CAN YOU HELP TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES?

If you can spare some time, then please sign up to our WhatsApp group for BCC Volunteers.

You can join via this link or QR code below:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/D4ez8y73DLcC50uQiD1YjG

Save the Date

Farmers Market
03/05/26

May Day
04/05/26

Firework Display
05/11/26

Remembrance Day Service
07/11/26

Lantern Parade
27/11/26

Carol Service
16/12/26

COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATE

We are now getting ready for May Day and an exciting new addition to the bank holiday weekend – a Farmers' Market, brought to you by Gower Farmers Market in partnership with the Community Council, which promises to bring the community together once again to enjoy and celebrate local produce and traders.

MURTON GREEN PLAY PARK

Exciting progress is being made on plans to bring a new children's play park back to Murton Green. We are delighted to confirm that 80% of the required grant funding has now been secured, thanks to the continued support of Councillor Lyndon Jones and Swansea City Council. An application for the remaining 20% from a external funding source has been submitted, and we are currently awaiting a decision.

Community involvement has been a key part of shaping the project. Throughout March, a children-focused community consultation took place, giving young people the opportunity to share their ideas and preferences. This feedback will play an important role in developing the final design for the play park. In addition, we will be visiting Bishopston Primary School with further design options to gather even more ideas from local pupils.

Bishopston Community Council is keen for the play park to be installed as soon as possible. Once the final designs are agreed and full funding is confirmed, we will work closely with Swansea Council to deliver the new children's play park at Murton Green, creating an improved, welcoming space for children and families to enjoy. Cllr Lyndon Jones also has an update on this, later on in this issue.

CHAPEL UPDATE

As many residents may already be aware, Bishopston Community Council was unsuccessful in its bid to purchase the chapel. While this was a disappointing outcome, we would like to thank everyone who took part in the community consultation process. The feedback received was overwhelmingly positive and showed strong support for exploring ways to develop and make better use of community spaces in Bishopston.

Bishopston Community Council remains committed on improving and enhancing the facilities we already have for residents of all ages. We remain committed to investing in projects that benefit the community and strengthen local services.



PUMP TRACK UPDATE
After Swansea City Council carried out a full search of accessible land, Copley Common remains the preferred and most viable location for the proposed pump track. Due to its status as common land, the project will need to go through Swansea Council planning approval, followed by Section 38 approval from Planning and Environment Decisions Wales.
The next steps include completing planning advice, ecological and drainage assessments, and site surveys. We are working with Bishopston Skate Park Project, Curve Studios, and Swansea City Council to help bring this project to life.

PARKING AT BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE – IMPORTANT UPDATE
We'd like to update all visitors and local residents about recent changes to parking at Bishopston Community Centre. To help manage increasing demand, we have introduced new signs around the site stating: ***"Parking for facilities users only."***

WHY WE'VE INTRODUCED THIS MEASURE
Over the past year, our car park has regularly been full before people who have booked the hall or community rooms have even arrived. The centre is used daily for classes, events, meetings, and private bookings, and we must ensure that those who have paid to use the facilities can park safely and access the building.
We also know that the car park is a popular meeting point for many in the community. We want to support that — but we also need to protect access for our users.

SHORT VISITS ARE STILL WELCOME
We want to reassure everyone that short-term parking is absolutely fine for those who are:

- Visiting the Post Office
- Collecting a prescription
- Attending a health appointment
- Stopping briefly for essential errands
- Purchasing from 'The Gower Coffee Cart'
- Acessing the Community bus

These visits are part of everyday village life, and we're happy to accommodate them in order to support residents.

REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR GROUP PARKING
If your group, club, or organisation would like to use the car park for a specific activity or event, we are happy to consider requests.
We review each case individually and check our hall bookings to see whether we can accommodate additional vehicles.

To make a request, please email: Bishopstoncommunitycouncil@outlook.com

PLEASE HELP US PROTECT THE GREEN SPACES
If the car park is full, we kindly ask that you do not park on the grass verges. Parking on the grass causes damage that is costly and time-consuming to repair.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation as we work to keep the centre accessible for all who use it. Thank you for supporting Bishopston Community Centre and helping us look after this shared community space.

BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESPONDS TO RACIST VANDALISM
We were extremely disappointed to discover that someone had defaced one of our parking signs with racist language. Bishopston Community Council does not tolerate racism or discrimination in any form, and we take incidents like this very seriously. The vandalism was removed immediately, and footage of the individual responsible has been shared with the police with a view of further action to be taken. Our community centre is a place for everyone, and we remain committed to ensuring it stays welcoming, respectful, and inclusive.



The incident happened at 5:20am on 26/03/26 if you have any more information we can pass on to the police, please get in touch.
Email: Bishopstoncommunitycouncil@outlook.com

HEALTH WALKS

Join us for a gentle stroll designed to increase physical activity. Suitable if you just want to 'stretch' your legs, if you're not as nimble as you were, if you use a wheelchair or mobility scooter or for some enjoyable company.
We always stop for a cuppa and chat.



Come and enjoy a walk, chat, cuppa and the fresh air!

SWANSEA PROMENADE TO MUMBLES:
FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

10:00 am

1st Friday of the month

Meeting point in Alderwood Road Car Park OPPOSITE, the West Cross Inn





LANGLAND TO SNAPLE POINT:
THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

10:00 am

3rd Friday of the month

Meeting point in Langland Carpark
BEHIND the Langland Brasserie

For more information or if you need a lift (car sharing from Bishopston / Murton):
Contact Clive Scott 07369 299198
www.facebook.com/BishCC
Join the WhatsApp Group with the QR Code

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COMMUNITY BUS FARE INFORMATION:
CAMPION GARDENS, BISHOPSTON, MURTON, MANSELFIELD

Adult Single: £1.00, Adult Return: £1.50 , Child Single: 70p, Child Return: £1.0

OYSTERMOUTH TO CASWELL BAY

Adult Single: £1.50, Adult Return: £2.50, Child Single: £1.00, Child Return: £1.70

BISHOPSTON-CASWELL BAY
via Murton, Manselfield, Newton & Oystermouth

Wednesdays and Friday only, except when designated as Bank Holidays

WILLOWS COURT (Campian Gardens)	0930	1045	1200	1345
Bishopston (Northway Court)	0932	1047	1202	1347
Bishopston (Valley Hotel)	0933	1048	1203	1348
Bishopston (South Close)	0934	1049	1204	1349
Bishopston (Pyle Corner)	0935	1050	1205	1350
Bishopston (Caswell Bay Road)	0936	1051	1206	1351
Murton (Oldway)	0937	1052	1207	1352
Murton (Post Office)	0939	1054	1209	1354
Manselfeld (Miles Lane)	0942	1057	1212	1357
Manselfield (Espalone)	0943	1058	1213	1358
Newton (Rock & Fountain)	0945	1100	1215	1400
Newton (Groves Avenue)	0946	1101	1216	1401
Langland Corner	0947	1102	1217	1402
Underhill Park	0948	1103	1218	1403
OYSTERMOUTH (M&S - Newton Road)	0950	1105	1220	1405
Underhill Park	0952	1107	1222	1407
Langland Corner	0953	1108	1223	1408
Caswell Bay (opp Car Park)	0958	1113	1228	1413
CASWELL BAY (Caswell Bay Court)	1000	1115	1230	1415

CASWELL BAY (Caswell Bay Court)	1005	1120	1235	1420
Caswell Bay (Car Park)	1007	1122	1237	1422
Langland Corner	1012	1127	1242	1427
Underhill Park	1013	1128	1243	1428
OYSTERMOUTH (M&S - Newton Road)	1015	1130	1245	1430
Underhill Park	1017	1132	1247	1432
Langland Corner	1018	1133	1248	1433
Newton (Groves Avenue)	1019	1134	1249	1434
Newton (Rock & Fountain)	1020	1135	1250	1435
Manselfield (Espalone)	1022	1137	1252	1437
Manselfeld (Miles Lane)	1024	1139	1254	1439
Murton (Post Office)	1026	1141	1256	1441
Murton (Oldway)	1028	1143	1258	1443
Bishopston (Caswell Bay Road)	1029	1144	1259	1444
Bishopston (Pyle Corner)	1030	1145	1300	1445
Bishopston (South Close)	1031	1146	1301	1446
Bishopston (Valley Hotel)	1032	1147	1302	1447
Bishopston (Northway Court)	1034	1149	1304	1449
WILLOWS COURT (Campian Gardens)	1037	1152	1307	1452

TIMETABLE AND COMMUNITY BUS UPDATES: AVAILABLE ON WWW.BISHOPSTONCC.COM

Bishopston Murton Manselfield Butterfly count competition 2026

Prizes
£50 £30 £20
Open to all residents
Pick a glyphosate free community flower patch
Family, individual and Community groups welcome.
For more details contact:
Lyndon Jones 07880743578

What's On at Bishopston Community Centre

MONDAY

Functional Strength and Mobility
9:30 - 10:30am
Contact: Anna 07736316853

Yoga
11:00am -12:00
Contact:
christhomasyoga@yahoo.co.uk

Gardening Club (3rd Monday)
Contact:
Peter 07773711973

TUESDAY

Art Group
10:00-12.30pm
Contact:
jasonnorth2001@yahoo.co.uk

South Gower Forget Me Not Group Dementia Club
1:30 - 3:00pm
Contact:
Cathy 07854 464648

WEDNESDAY

Slimline (Slimming Group)
8:30 - 10:30am
Contact:
Lynne 07879774353

Gateway To Gower Community Shed 11:30 - 14:30
Contact:
gatewaytogowershed@gmail.com

Mum's the Word Choir
18:00 - 19.30pm
Contact: Ros 07803 169575

THURSDAY

ST Peters Bridge Club
10:00- 13:00pm
Contact:
Rosie 07400005979
To join the waiting list

PM : AVAILABLE TO HIRE

FRIDAY

MONTHLY FOOT CLINIC
Contact:
Emma 07580 299420

Art Group
13:00-15.00pm
Contact: Eira 01792 403644

WEEKEND

Available to hire for events, meetings and celebrations.

Contact our Clerk at bishopstoncommunitycouncil @outlook.com or call 07389 765826 for bookings and more infomation

ADULT SERVICES EARLY HELP- AREA COORDINATION

The role of an area coordinator is to support people to pursue their vision for living well, helping them to stay strong, resilient and independent for as long as possible.

They can support individuals/families and communities to:

- Stay strong, safe and connected.
- Be heard, be in control and make choices.
- Find practical ways of doing the things they want or need to do.
- Develop and use personal and local networks.
- Be part of and contribute to their community.

Rachael Cole is the Area Coordinator for Bishopston, Pennard and Gower and can be contacted on rachael.cole@swansea.gov.uk or 07929743468.



HIRE BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

Bishopston Community Centre is available for hire for community groups, celebrations, classes and meetings

To book or for more information contact our Clerk:

bishopstoncommunitycouncil@outlook.com

07389 765826

Bishopston Community Council

Community Coffee Mornings

Bishopston Community Centre

10:00 - 12:00

Last Saturday of every month

TEA,COFFEE AND CAKE



ALL WELCOME



ACTIVITIES FOR THE CHILDREN







THE LAMPLIGHTER



Situated on the opposite side of Bishopston Road to the Co Op, just past the junction with Wellfield.

A lovely welcoming small café and shop, it serves and sells Gower Company produce. All the usual favourites are available e.g. cappuccino, latte, etc. or if you prefer, hot chocolate or a selection of teas or hot drinks. Locally sourced cakes and fairtrade confectionery is available.

The shop sells an extensive range of beautiful greetings cards and many unique gifts produced by skilled local craftspeople.

Affiliated to The Church in Wales, there is always a warm welcome for EVERYONE, irrespective of religion or belief.

The Lamplighter hosts a thriving and vibrant craft group, but crafting is definitely not a necessity.

SHOP AND CAFÉ OPENING TIMES

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY:
10AM TILL 3.30PM

SATURDAY:
10AM TILL NOON

SUNDAY AND MONDAY:
CLOSED

CRAFT GROUP: TUESDAY AND FRIDAY MORNINGS, 10AM TILL NOON

PRAYER MEETING: TUESDAY, 9.15AM TILL 9.45AM

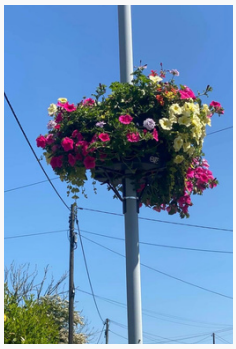
CELTIC COMMUNION: THURSDAY, 9.30AM TILL 10AM

CLLR LYNDON JONES UPDATE



IF YOU WANT TO CONTACT LYNDON:
07880743578
CLLR.LYNDON.JONES@SWANSEA.GOV.UK
OR MESSAGE HIM ON THE COMMUNITY FACEBOOK PAGE.

Hanging Baskets
I am pleased to say that the hanging baskets and planters for the bridge in Murton have now been ordered and will be put in place towards the end of May. This is something I am delighted to have been able to organise since becoming your councillor around nine years ago.



As in previous years, I have arranged for hanging baskets to be placed on lampposts along some of the main roads in the Ward – Bishopston Road, Pyle Road, Northway, Murton Green and Manselfield – and of course the planters on the bridge on Murton Green Road.

Training on the Use of CPR and Defibrillators
I am organising another training session on the use of CPR, defibrillators and critical bleed kits. It will take place on Monday, 6th July, at the Bishopston Community Centre, Murton Green Road, Murton, Swansea SA3 3AT, with sessions at 5pm, 6pm and 7pm.



To book a slot, please e-mail me with your preferred time and contact details at: Cllr.Lyndon.Jones@swansea.gov.uk or call/text me on 07880 743578.
I am grateful to the team from St John Ambulance and the Heartbeat Trust UK for providing the training and for their continued help and support.

I organised the first training session on 16th October 2021, and since then an incredible 350 local people have been trained at the sessions I have arranged at the Bishopston Community Centre.

As I say at the start of each session, these are skills I hope you will never need to use – but because of them, you could save a life.

Community Cinema
Our Community Cinema gets busier each month, and I am pleased to say that new people are signing up regularly.
We show a film on the second Tuesday of each month, and the cost per person is a donation of just £4.
As I have mentioned before, the terms of our licence do not allow us to advertise the film publicly, but we can share the details with those on our database.
If you would like to be included, please send me your name and e-mail address by message, by e-mail at Cllr.Lyndon.Jones@swansea.gov.uk, or by text to 07880 743578, and I will add you to the list.

If you would like to be part of this, please get in touch.
We are also looking for extra helpers, so if you think you can assist, please let me know.

Play Park in Murton
In recent weeks I have been asked about progress on the park in Murton.
The Clerk to the Community Council, Anthony included a consultation in the Gower Community Magazine, asking residents in the Bishopston Ward to let us know what play equipment they would like to see in the park. Thank you to everyone who has responded with their ideas.

A number of parents have already contacted me by e-mail or spoken to me in person with some excellent suggestions. There have also been requests for equipment suitable for older children, as otherwise families visiting with younger children find that older ones feel left out. Some residents have also suggested including adult exercise equipment.
Please keep the ideas coming – it is important that the final design reflects what local residents want. You can contact me at: Cllr.Lyndon.Jones@swansea.gov.uk

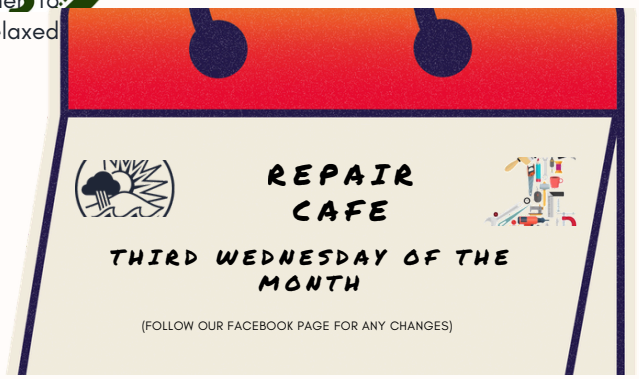
When we met with officers from Swansea Council to discuss the new park, they advised that, for safety reasons, the old equipment should be removed immediately. This was done, but it has meant a longer wait before the new park can be installed.





Our Community Shed is open to all adults. It brings people together to connect, share and learn skills, and support one another in a friendly, relaxed environment.

Pop in anytime and join us!



Meet others in the community: We provide a welcoming, inclusive space for adults to come along, enjoy good company and feel a genuine sense of belonging.

Share and learn skills: Skill-sharing is at the heart of the Shed, with members learning from and supporting each other while working on individual and collaborative projects.

Working together: We are always seeking to build more collaborative partnerships with local businesses, services and organisations, helping to strengthen and contribute to community improvements.



EVERY WEDNESDAY 11:30PM-2:30PM

Bishopston Community Centre, Murton Green Road, SA3 3AT

gatewaytogowershed@gmail.com Gateway to Gower Shed

Murton Rovers presents

Tangerines ON THE GREEN

INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT
U5, U6 & LADIES

Saturday 4th July

@Murton Green

🎉 **End-of-season presentation**
🏰 **Bouncy castle & games**
🍔 **Food & drink**

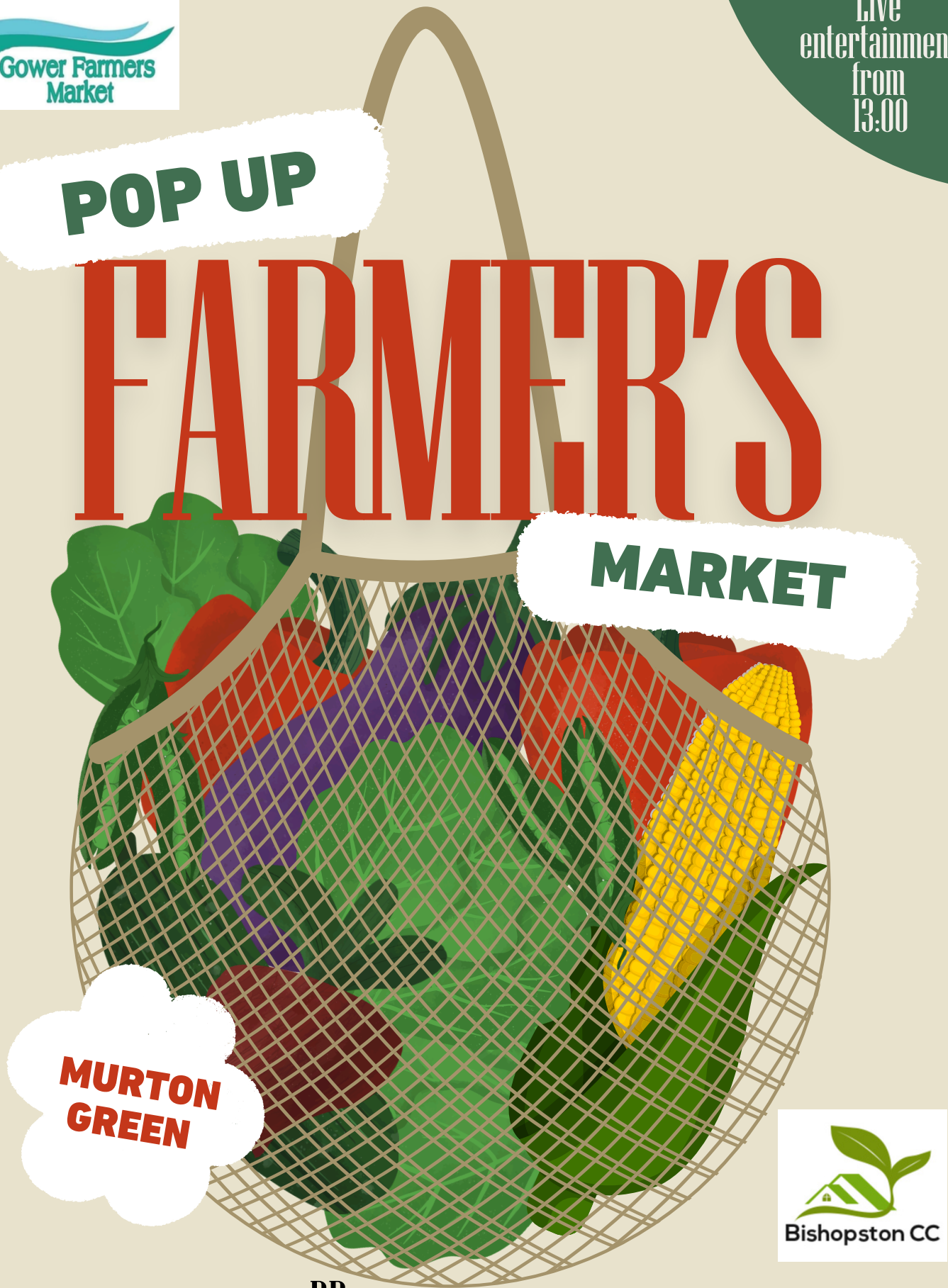


For more info visit
murtonrovers.co.uk/festival

Gower Farmers Market

Live entertainment from 13:00

POP UP FARMER'S MARKET



MURTON GREEN

Bishopston CC

SUNDAY 3RD MAY AT 10:00 - 15:00

CELEBRATING LOCAL PRODUCE, ARTISAN FOOD, HANDMADE CRAFTS, AND COMMUNITY TRADERS.

BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, MURTON GREEN ROAD, SA3 3AT

Bishopston CC

MAY DAY

12:00 - 17:00

MURTON GREEN ROAD & BISHOPSTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

FOOD AND DRINKS
MORRIS DANCING
MAYPOLE DANCING
ASSORTED STALLS

LIVE MUSIC
ARTS AND CRAFTS
DOG SHOW
COMPETITIONS

BANK HOLIDAY – MONDAY 4TH MAY

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS! - WE ARE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC INDIVIDUALS TO HELP SET UP AND TIDY UP FOR OUR MAYDAY. YOUR SUPPORT WILL BE VALUABLE IN MAKING THIS EVENT A SUCCESS.

HELP NEEDED

IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND, PLEASE EMAIL US AT BISHOPSTONCOMMUNITYCOUNCIL@OUTLOOK.COM OEVERY BIT OF HELP MAKES A DIFFERENCE! THANK YOU!