

LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL



27 June 2025

To: Councillors Chowns, Morris, and Hughes

Ward Councillors: Harvey, Peberdy, Simmons

Alison Braithwaite, Penelope Shaw

Events WP Members: Heather Coppock, Sabeen Chaudry, Griff Holliday, Beth Hughes, Hilary Jones, Lizzie Gissane, Lynette Loader, Sonia Bowen, Nina Shields

and Christine Tustin

Dear All,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Events Working Party on Tuesday, 1 July 2025 at 11:00 am in the Committee Room, Council Offices, Church Lane, Ledbury, HR8 1DL for the purpose of transacting the business below.

Yours faithfully

Angela Price PSLCC, AICCM Town Clerk

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AGENDA

- 1. Election of Chair for municipal year 2025/26
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Events Working Party held on 3 June 2025 (Pages 226 230)
- 4. Volunteer Database

(Verbal)

5. Heritage Open Days Update

(Pages 232 - 234)

- 6. Oral updates on the following events:
 - Community Day Feedback 7 June 2025
 - Celebration Day 6 July 2025
 - Ledbury Carnival 25 August 2025
 - Heritage Open Days 12-21 September 2025
- 7. Events Programme

(Pages 236 - 238)

8. "Climate Consideration"

(Verbal)

9. To advise of date of next meeting – as agreed in TEMAP Meeting

LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EVENTS WORKING PARTY MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 3 JUNE 2025

PRESENT: Councillors: Hughes & Morris,

Non-Councillors: Al Braithwaite (Chair), Sonia Bowen, Emma Clowsley,

Lizzie Gissane, Griff Holliday, Lyn Loader and Nina Shields.

ALSO PRESENT:

Julia Lawrence, Deputy Town Clerk (DTC)(Minutes)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Harvey and Simmons.

2 TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EVENTS WORKING PARTY HELD ON 6 MAY 2025

The Chair confirmed that there were no minutes of the meeting.

3 PROGRESS ON EVENTS PROGRAMME AND VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATION FOR LOCAL EVENTS

3.1 Volunteer Co-ordination for local events

The Working Party agreed to formulate a register of volunteers for the Clerk. This register was to capture skills of volunteers so that they could be assigned to events where they would be best placed to help out. Nina Shields confirmed that the Community Hub had a software program for volunteers which the Council could use. The DTC is to liaise with the Clerk for an update as well as speaking to Nic Sims regarding his software program.

3.2 Progress of Events Programme

The Events Programme was circulated and the DTC advised that the document appeared to have gone "full circle" noting that originally the Programme was intended only for local Ledbury events but now captured numerous events taking place across the County. Discussion took place as to whether the Progamme should or should not include County wide events. Members considered that having County wide events would help Ledbury ensure that there were no clashes.

It was agreed that this Events Programme should be for Ledbury events only and be an internal document used only by the Events Working Party, supported by actions within the Council to capture information about other events.

It was noted that the Events Programme was on the Council's website but on further examination, a different format was displayed albeit the form filling section needed to be addressed as it did not work. The Working Party agreed that clarity was sought on how to add an event to the website and whether it works, and what it would look like, for the longer term, for the public.

For clarity, "Ledbury cluster" locations would also be included within this Programme. For example, when liaising with schools, this would also include Eastnor Primary School and Much Marcle.

3.3 The following changes were noted for the Events Programme:

July

- Add "Independent's Retailer Month" events will be run throughout the month of July.
- Remove "Independents' Day" 4 & 5 July 2025
- "No spend July" to be removed from Programme

August

- Ledbury Carnival All day event (Road closure from 8.00am to 5.00pm)
- Add Ledbury Flower Show, run by Ledbury Horticultural Society -Community Hall (150th Anniversary)

September

- Heritage Open Days Theme for event is Architecture
- Hills Ford Rally check that the start date/time of Friday,
 12 September is still correct seek clarity from Herefordshire Council

October

- Mop Fair is on Monday, 6 October and Tuesday, 7 October 2025
 November
 - Add "Winter Words Poetry Festival" 20 to 23 November
 - Christmas Lights Switch on Event 23 November
 - Remembrance Service is at 11.00am

December

- Add Late Night Christmas Shopping (to incorporate shop window displays) – 5 December
- Christmas Candle Lighting at Ledbury Cemetery Sunday, 14 December 2025

March 2026

 Familarisation of Masefield Matters Project (26 March) – Exhibition of activities undertaken

It was noted that not all of these events were listed on the "Visit Herefordshire" website due to difficulties in uploading the information but discussion took place as to who should put information on this website and for what purpose, i.e. is it for visitors to Ledbury or local residents? It may be more appropriate to upload information on "Eat Sleep Live". Visit Herefordshire was principally aimed at visitors coming to the area

whereas Eat Sleep Live was aimed at local residents. The Council should make a decision as to whether local Ledbury events should be marketed to the wider audience and if so, then Visit Herefordshire was the appropriate platform for this and the appropriate link be made to promote such events. The HODs event could be a good example of this. It was agreed that an improved relationship between the Council's tourism website provision and Visit Herefordshire should be progressed.

Lyn Loader left the meeting at 11.20am.

RESOLVED

- 1 That the DTC liaise with the Clerk regarding the volunteer database and make contact with Nic Sims regarding the software programme.
- 2 That the DTC in conjunction with the Community Engagement Officer make the necessary changes to the Events Programme.
- That the Council investigate why the booking of events on the council website is not working in terms of uploading and verifying events.
- 4 That the Council make improvements regarding joining up the tourism website provision with that of Visit Herefordshire.

4 ORAL UPDATES ON THE FOLLOWING EVENTS

4.1 Community Day - 7 June 2025

Griff Holliday gave an update confirming that the main events are taking place between 10.00am and 2.00pm in the Burgage Hall, St Katherines and the Recreation Ground, where there will be events for young people. There will be an interactive 18m whale, which will also focus on Great Big Green Week.

4.2 Celebration Day – 6 July 2025

There will be an exciting range of musical acts and 17 food stalls. There will be a jazz band, Ledbury's take on a Cornish sea shanty band, "Four crying out aloud" at 12.00noon, a contemporary music band, Two Faced Dance from Hereford, three poets and new for this year, "Masefield Moment or two" where we remember John Masefield and another interactive show for Children.

4.3 Ledbury Carnival – 25 August 2025

Sonia Bowen reported that she had met with the Traders Association and would be issuing an A5 flyer to all new homes in Ledbury to promote the Carnival, as a means to invite everyone to come into Town for the Carnival and also to support local traders. It was hoped that the flyer would incentivise locals to shop local especially with the road closure to Malvern. The carnival programme is currently in the process of being produced noting that the deadline for submission of adverts is by the end of June, which will be distributed in August.

There will be a shop window competition: judging will take place on Friday, 22 August with the results on Saturday, 23 August, and then the Carnival is on Monday, 25 August. Raffle tickets will also be sold under the Market House each Saturday morning in August.

There used to be a carnival stand which was used as an information point/lost child etc but this has disappeared so the Men's Shed have stepped in who are going to make a new carnival stand.

Sonia reported that she was gathering an array of Carnival material from previous carnival events to be put on permanent display. Cllr Hughes stated that the Market House was looking to open up its top floor for local community groups to display material and this was in the process of being formalised. For temporary displays, Nina Shields confirmed that the Panelled Room in the Library was available for this purpose.

It was noted that Sue Hughes (Carnival Secretary) would be sending a list of volunteers that they had identified for Carnival to the Clerk so to kick start the volunteer database referred to above.

Councillor Hughes reported that there would be no carnival princes/princesses this year. Having gone out to local school children, this did not appeal to them anymore but the idea of having children's representatives for the school council, "Children's Ambassador's" was well received and therefore 4 Children's Ambassador's will be present at the Carnival. Their role will be to speak and listen on behalf of the children of Ledbury. Their first outing will be at Community Day and they will be tasked to ask a series of questions to all stall holders/Organisations (with their parents), and which will also give stall holders the opportunity to ask the School Ambassador's questions too. It is hoped that this initiative will grow so to encourage Youth Ambassador's from John Masefield High School and for all to be representatives at other civic events.

Al Braithwaite agreed to contact both the primary and secondary schools to encourage them to join this Working Party, albeit representatives have attended in the past

4.4 Heritage Open Days – 12 to 21 September 2025

Julia Lawrence confirmed that the Council had already commenced work in preparation for HODs and that a report would be presented at the next meeting.

Al Braithwaite confirmed that The Heritage Centre has already registered for the Open Days, as has the Civic Society but was not aware of any other organisations. Cllr Morris suggested that the Council write to all the participants involved in HODs in the past to ensure that they have all registered for the event.

RESOLVED

- 1 That anyone wishing to place an advert in the Carnival Programme had until the end of June to submit their material.
- 2 That Al Braithwaite contact the local primary and secondary schools to encourage them to join/re-join the Working Party.
- That Sue Hughes provide the Clerk with a list of volunteers who will be supporting the Carnival.
- 4 That Julia Lawrence/Community Engagement Officer will provide an update on HODs at the next Working Party Meeting.
- That the Council will contact all previous participants of HODs to ensure that they have registered.

5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Events Working Party meeting to be held on Thursday, 1 July 2025 at 11.00am, at Ledbury Town Council Offices.

LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

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Report prepared by Olivia Trueman, Community Engagement Officer (CEO)

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS 2025

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to update Members of the Events Working Party on the progress of Heritage Open Days.

Detailed Information

Building	Dates	Activity/ listing
16 th Century Painted Room	Thursday 18 th , Friday 19 th , & Saturday 20 th September 11:00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 16:30.	The Painted Room will be open for visitors to look around and ask questions. There will also be activities for families and children.
The Market House	Thursday 18 th , Friday 19 th , & Saturday 20 th September 11:00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 16:30.	The Market House will be open for visitors to look around and ask questions. There will also be a PowerPoint Presentation about the building of the Market House and activities for families and children.
The Domesday Book (Market House)	Saturday 20 th September 11:00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 16:30.	The Domesday Book will be on display for visitors to view.
The Chapel at Ledbury Cemetery New Street	Saturday 20 th September 11:00 to 15:00	Visitors welcome to look of the chapel and grounds and explore the Burial Books, and a
The Butcher Row House	Saturday 13 th , Sunday 14 th , Tuesday 16 th , Wednesday 17 th , Thursday 18 th , Friday 19 th , Saturday 20 th & Sunday 21 st September. 10:00 to 16:00	Open to visitors.

The Burgage Hall	Saturday 13 th , Sunday 14 th , Saturday 20 th & Sunday 21 st September. 10:00 to 16:00	
The Old Grammar School	Friday 12 th , Saturday 13 th , Sunday 14 th , Thursday 18 th , Friday 19 th , Saturday 20 th & Sunday 21 st September. Hours vary. See website.	The Old Grammar School will be open for visitors and there will be a display of replicas of the Herefordshire Hoard, as part of the project "Revealing Our Roots"
Masefield Matters – Ledbury Library	Saturday 13 ^{th,} Tuesday 16 ^{th,} Thursday 18th, Saturday 20 th	Open the John Masefield Society's archive to visitors. This contains a library of John Masefield works, correspondence, the research collection of biographer Constance Babington Smith, and a collection of watercolours by Masefield himself.

Working with John Masefield High School

The CEO has reached out to the Head of History at John Masefield High School to propose a collaboration with history students to create 3D models of buildings in Ledbury. To support the town council's climate change declaration, students are encouraged to construct their models using recycled materials. These models will be displayed in various locations around the town. To inspire the students, an invitation was extended for them to visit some of the buildings beforehand. As the project's theme is architecture, this hands-on experience will help students better understand the structures they are recreating and provide an opportunity to engage with the town's history. The email was sent on 24/06/2025, and the CEO will update members once she has received a response.

Heritage Open Days Brochure

The CEO is working with the Masefield Matters project team to collaborate on the brochure, specifically by incorporating the Masefield Map.

Masefield Matters

The Masefield Matters project team have discussed with Jim Grevatte at Ledbury Poetry the possibility of creating a small-scale exhibition about Masefield to complement what Ledbury Poetry are doing. This would likely be on display the full time of the Heritage Open Days.

The exact size and scope of the exhibition is dependent on Ledbury Poetry's other events and available space. It is likely we would focus more on modern interpretations of John Masefield rather than historical documents and artefacts, so there is some contrast with the Masefield Archive.

Masefield Matters aim to distribute (either digitally or physical copies) a Masefield themed map showing a walking route around Ledbury. This would highlight local connections to Masefield, including the mural in Tilley's Alley, the Priory, the Knapp, and locations featured in his work.

To increase accessibility and to make the map more interactive, a series of QR codes or links would be provided that linked to voice recordings of information and instructions.

Recommendation:

That Members of the Events Working Party receive and note the above information.

EVENTS CALENDAR 2025 - 2026

Ledbury Town Council Event
Community /Outside Event
Mayors Events
Bank Holiday
Holidays / Celebrations - Non-Bank Holiday

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Month Event	Date	Time	Venue	Organiser	Vebsite	Action / Notes
May-25 Blossomtime	Sunday - 4th and Monday 5th M10:00	- 5:00			https://www.bigapple.org.uk/blossomtime/	Masefield Matters Activities
Early May Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May		N/A	N/A		a public holiday in the UK that takes place on the first Monday in May. It is a day off for many and is traditionally associated with
VE Day (80th Applyersary)	Thursday 8th May		War Memorial	ÚL-	Maheita I ink	Service at Mamorial finishing at Church
RHS Spring Festival Malvern	Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th May 9:00 - 6:00	9:00 - 6:00	The Three Counties		Website Link	Flower Show (next year's event is Thursday 7th - Sunday 10th May)
Eastnor Castle Mud Run	Sunday 11th May	Various	Eastnor Castle	Relish Running Races	https://www.relishrunningraces.com/mud-bath-	3K, 6K, 10K, camping available, mud run,
					running-race-eastnor-castle.php	
History Festival	Saturday 10th - Sunday 18th MaVarious	aVarious	In and around Herefordshire	Heritage History Festival	Website Link	Celebration of Hereford's heritage and history across various sites. Includes walks, talks, open days and exhibitions
Ledburied Crime Festival	Thursday 22nd May	7:30pm	The Feathers Hotel	Ledbury Books and Maps	https://www.ledburybooksandmaps.co.uk/Shop Activities/ShopEvents/ShopEvents aspx	Crime writing festival hosted by Belinda Bauer and Sharon Bolton
Dubs in the Middle	Thursday 22nd May - Thursday Various	Various	Hanley Castle Country Estate	Natalie Parker-Elliott	https://www.dubsinthemiddle.co.uk/	The festival is a part Volkswagen and part music event, with three stages featuring DJs, bands, and tribute acts
The Very Grimm Brothers - Poems & Music	Friday 23rd May	7:30pm	The Barn	The Barn	https://thebarnledbury.com/events/	Poetry and music event
Eastnor Steam and Vintage	Sunday 25th - Monday 26th May 10:30 - 5:30	10:30 - 5:30	astle	astle		Steam engines, vintage cars, carousel, garden games etc, ticketed event, book in advance
Spring (late May) Bank Holiday	Monday 26th May	A/N	N/A	N/A	N/A	a day off work or school for people in the United Kingdom. It falls on the last Monday in May. In the UK, it is a long-standing tradition that is observed by
Malvern Walking Festival	Tuesday 27th May	10:00am	Starting at Ledbury Railway Station	Malvern Hills District Council	https://www.visitthemalverns.org/event/loop- around-ledbury-malvern-walking-festival/	6 Mile Walk
Jun-25						
Community Day	Saturday 7th June 10:00 - 2:00	10:00 - 2:00	^	nity Day / LTC	https://www.ledburycommunityday.org.uk/	11th Ledbury Community Day, groups explain what they do
Hellens Garden Festival	Saturday 7th - Sunday 8th June	10:00 - 5:00	Hellens, Much Marcle	Hellens	https://hellensgardenfestival.co.uk/	Garden festival, talks, demos and workshops, tickets only available in advance
Great Big Green Week	Saturday 7th June - Sunday 15t 10:00 - 2:00	t 10:00 - 2:00	Recreation Ground	•	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb	LTC have hired an 18 metre inflatable whale on the Recreation Ground that families can go inside and watch a show about climate change
Royal Three Counties Show	Friday 13th - Sunday 15th June Various	Various	The Three Counties Showground Malvern	Sounties Agricultural	https://royalthreecounties.co.uk/	Largest livestock and equine show in England celebrating British farming, food and countryside.
Father's Day	Sunday 15th June	A/A		N/A	N/A	an annual holiday honouring people's fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society.
Armed Forces Day & Raising the Flag	Saturday 28th June	11:00am?	Town Centre		https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb	Flag raising and refreshments
Ledbury Poetry Festival	Saturday 27th June - Sunday 6t		In and around Ledbury	Ledbury Poetry Festival	https://ledburypoetry.org.uk/home/ledbury- poetry-festival/	Celebration of poetry and spoken word, open mics, workshops, digital passes available
Jul-25						
No Spend July	All Month	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	A financial challenge where individuals aim to avoid non-essential purchases for a period, often a month (bare in mind for Traders / Shops)
Independents' Day	Friday 4th - Saturday 5th July	N/A	National	Ledbury Traders	https://www.independentsdayuk.org/	Campaign to support independent businesses / retailers across the UK
Hellens Produce Market	Saturday 5th July	9:30 - 11:30	Hellens, Ledbury		https://hellensmanor.com/eventsem/hellens- produce-market-1st-saturday-each-month/	Stock up on good, local products and enjoy a delicious breakfast of pastries or a bacon rolls.
Ledbury Celebration	Sunday 6th July	11:00 - 4:00	St Katherines Car Park	Ledbury Food Group	https://www.visitherefordshire.co.uk/whats- on/ledbury-celebration-2025-ledbury	Food and drink market with "al fresco" poetic entertainment
Ledbury Fringe Festival	Sunday 6th July - Saturday 12th TBC	hTBC	In and around Ledbury	Collaborative Effort	https://www.facebook.com/ledburyfringe/	Musicians and Performers
Harmony Tribe - Big Summer Sing	Sunday 13th July	2:00 - 4:30	The Nest	Harmony Tribe	https://littleverzonsfarm.co.uk/shop-tickets/	natural voice harmony singing workshop to celebrate Summer, with singing leader Sarah Rowe
Wellend Steam & Country Ralley	Friday 25th - Sunday 27th July	Fri & Sat 8:00 - 8:00 Sun 8:00 - 5:00	Woodside Farm, Wellend, Worcester	Ross on Wye Steam Engine Society	https://wellandsteamrally.com/	Old time fairground and showman's engines, road run, engine rides, displays and entertainment
Aug-25		:				
Flower Picking - The Farm Patch	Friday 1st August - Sunday 14th September (Fri, Sat, Sun - only)	11:00 - 4:00	Lilly Hall Lane	The Farm Patch, Gilbert's Farm	https://thefarmpatch.co.uk/	Each ticket includes free return entry during the season
Lakefest	Wednesday 6th - Sunday 10th August	Wed @ 2:00pm to Sunday at 1:30am	Eastnor Castle	Lee Martin	https://lakefest.co.uk/	A family-friendly music and entertainment festival held at Eastnor Castle Deer Park in Hereford

	VI Day (Victory over Japan)	Friday 15th August	6.30pm	I edhury War Memorial	J.L.	https://www.ledhingtowayaniahel	Commemoration of the end of World War II in the Pacific enertifically on
	vs Day (victory over sapari)	riday ioti August			2		August 15, 1945, when Japan surrendered to the Allied forces
	VJ Day Service	Sunday 17th August	10:00am	St Michael and All Angels Church	The Church	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb	Service in relation to the above.
	Cannondale Malvern Classic - Mountain Bike Festival	Thursday 21st - Monday 25th August	Wed @ 1:00pm to Monday @ 11:00am	Deer Park	Si Paton	https://malvernsclassic.com/	The UK's biggest mountain bike festival, races, entertainment and food /drink
	August Bank Holiday	Monday 25th August	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a public holiday in the United Kingdom, typically observed on the last Monday of August in England. Wales, and Northern Ireland
	Ledbury Carnival	Monday 25th August	TBC	Ledbury Town Centre	The Ledbury Carnival	https://ledbury-camival.co.uk/	Theme: Wonders of the World. Fairground rides, bands, stalls, dance displays, children's entertainment and a Camiyal Procession
Sep-25							The official manages and official state of the official state of t
	Heritage Open Days	Friday 12th - Sunday 21st	Various	In and around Ledbury	LTC	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-	free access to a variety of local heritage sites and events. This annual festival
	Hills Ford Stages (Ralley)	Friday 12th September	TBC	Starting at Ledbury Town	Cheltenham Motor Club	cheltmc.com/hills-ford-stages-rally/	a Closed Road Rally, organised by Cheltenham Motor Club
Oct-25							
	Funfair (Mop Fair)	Tuesday 7th - Wednesday 8th October	TBC	Ledbury Town Centre	The Rodgers Family / LTC Service Agreement	https://www.facebook.com/LedburyMopFair/?loc ale=en GB	a traditional event that takes place in Ledbury on the High Street. It's a fun fair with rides and attractions. Dates back to 1138.
	Pumpkin Picking - Pumpkin Pete's	Various dates in October, tickets available from September	TBC	Moor Court Farm, Stretton Grandison	and n	pumpkinpetes.co.uk/pyo-pumpkins_	a popular activity where people visit the pumpkin patch to select and harvest pumpkins, there are themed weekends such as circus, art and nature with food and drink available. lots of othor opportunities
	Pumpkin Picking - The Farm Patch	ТВС	TBC	Gilbert's Farm, Lilly Hall Lane	The Farm Patch, Gilbert's Farm	https://thefarmpatch.co.uk/event/pumpkin- picking/	a popular activity where people visit the farm to select and harvest pumpkins, food and drink are available. Late night options available.
	Ledbury Ploughing Match	TBC	ТВС	Aubreys Farm, Bromsberrow	dbury Ploughing ty	https://www.facebook.com/p/Ledbury-Ploughing-a Society-100095258634091/	a competitive event where participants, using various types of ploughs (horse-drawn and tractor-driven), demonstrate their skills in preparing land for planting.
3C.VON	Halloween	Friday 31st October	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a holiday celebrated on October 31st, often involving dressing up in costumes, trick-or-treating, and carving pumpkins.
	Remembrance Sunday	Sunday 9th November	TBC	Memorial and then Church	LTC	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb_0	a day of remembrance held in the United Kingdom and other Commonwealth countries, typically on the second Sunday of November, commemorate the service and sacrifice of those who have died in wars and
	Remembrance Day	Tuesday 11th November	N/A	N/A	N/A	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb	A memorial day to honour those who have died in war.
	Bonfire Night	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	It commemorates the failure of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605, when Guy Fawkes and his fellow conspirators attempted to blow up the Houses of Parliament and assessinate King James I
	Christmas Lights Switch on Event	ТВС	TBC	Ledbury Town Centre	LTC	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb_r	community event where the lights adorning Ledbury are officially turned on, marking the start of the festive season.
	Winter Glow - Malvern	Friday 21st November - Wednesday 31st December	TBC	The Three Counties Showground	Winter Glow	https://winterglow.co.uk/	Festive Experience, Inc. Father Christmas, Ice Skating, Light Trail, UV Crazy Golf, Fairground, Market, Food and Drink etc
Dec-25	Christmas Tractor Parade	TBC	TBC	In and around Ledbury	When Farmers Do Christmas	TBC	Vehicles drive through town decorated in Christmas lights to raise money for charity
	Late Night Shopping Christmas Day Boxing Day	TBC Thursday 25th December Friday 26th December	5:00 - 8:00 N/A N/A	Ledbury Town Centre N/A N/A	LTC N/A N/A	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A_N/A	Shops are open later in the run up to Christmas a Christian holy day that commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ. A public holiday celebrated the first day after Christmas. The lords and aristocrats would give their servants "Christmas boxes" filled with leftovers and small gifts after the parties, leading to the name "Boxing Day."
	New Years' Eve		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The final day of the calendar year. It's a time for celebrations, with people gathering with friends and family to ring in the new year.
Jan-26	New Years Day	Thursday 1st January	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a widely celebrated holiday that marks the beginning of the new year in the Grandian calandar
	Burns' Night	Sunday 25th January	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The birthday of the Scottish poet Robert Burns, on which celebrations in his honour are traditionally held in Scotland and elsewhere.
Feb-26	Big Breakfast	TBC	TBC	In and around Ledbury	Ledbury Food Group	https://www.ledburyfoodgroup.org/category/big-	Event to celebrate local food and drink producers
	Ledbury's Got Talent - Provisional	TBC	TBC	In and around Ledbury		s://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb_	Talent Show with cash prize to raise money for Charity
	Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)	Tuesday 17th February	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a cereoration or love, memosnip, and affection. Also known as Pancake Day, is a Christian tradition that comes before the
	Chinese New Year	Tuesday 17th February	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2026 - Year of the Horse. A significant cultural celebration marking the start of a new year in the traditional Chinese calendar. Traditions such as exchanging red envelopes, fireworks and lion / dragon dances.
Mar-26							

	St David's Day	Sunday 1st March	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Wales's national day, honouring St. David, the patron saint of Wales.
	Ash Wednesday	Wednesday 4th March	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	marks the beginning of Lent in the Western Christian tradition, a 40-day period of fasting and reflection leading up to Easter.
	World Book Day	Thursday 5th March	TBC	N/A	UNESCO	https://www.worldbookday.com/	events organised to promote reading for pleasure, particularly among children and families
	Ledbury World Bookfest	Saturday 7th March	10:00 - 2:00	In and around Ledbury	LTC	ТВС	Workshops, activities, food / drink etc held around town to celebrate World Book Day
	International Women's Day	Sunday 8th March	N/A	N/A	A/N	N/A	a global day recognizing the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women
	Mother's Day	Sunday 15th March	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a holiday celebrating the importance of mothers and motherhood
	St Patrick's Day	Tuesday 17th March	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a cultural and religious holiday celebrated annually on March 17th, honouring the patron saint of Ireland, St. Patrick
	Kempley Daffodil Weekend	TBC	TBC	Kempley Daffodil Meadow	Volunteers on behalf of St Edwards Church	https://www.daffs.org.uk/_	an annual event in the village of Kempley, Gloucestershire, that celebrates the abundance of wild daffodils in the area
Apr-26	9.						
	CountryTastic	Thursday 2nd April	TBc	Three Counties Showground	The Royal Three Counties	https://countrytastic.co.uk/	a family event for children aged 5-11 years old. The show attracts young people keen to learn all about food, farming and the countryside.
	Good Friday	Friday 3rd April	N/A	N/A	A/N	N/A	a Christian holy day commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus Christ
	Easter	Sunday 5th April	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	a Christian festival celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, marking the end of Holy Week. More recently associated with traditions such as eag hunts and gift giving
	Easter Monday	Monday 6th April	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Easter Monday is a bank holiday, along with Good Friday, marking the beginning of spring
	St George's Day	Thursday 23rd April	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	England's national day, commemorating the patron saint of England, St. George
	Eastnor Castle Mud Run	Sunday 26th April	TBC	Eastnor Castle	Relish Running Races	https://www.relishrunningraces.com/mud-bath_ running-race-eastnor-castle.php	3K, 6K, 10K, camping available, mud run,
	Mayor's Mile - Provisional	TBC	TBC	TBC	LTC	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb	Running event to raise money for the Mayor's charity
	Civic Celebration - Provisional	ТВС	TBC	твс	LTC	https://www.ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk/en-gb	a formal event where the mayor, as the symbolic leader of the community, recognizes and honours individuals or groups for their

Frequent Events
Weekly Country Market 9:30am - 12:30pm (Friday) - Burgage Hall
Town Market - Tuesday and Saturday - Town Centre
The Tablot - Open Mic Night - Every other Wednesday
The Tablot - Quiz Night - Every other Wednesday
The Tablot - Pie and Pint Mondays
Shell House Kitchen - Monthly Quiz Nights
Shell House Kitchen - Monthly Supper Clubs
Ledbury Community Hub - Loads on, check their calendar!
Hellens Manor - Monthly Sound baths with C Sound Space
Malvern Hills Yoga - Various retreats at Hellens Manor and The Nest
The Ledbury Flower Farmer does, talks,
demos, tours and workshops check out her