

Community Groups

1st Sandy Guide Unit

Description	Guides (Girlguiding)
Day & Time	Thursdays 19.30
At	Sandy Youth Centre
Contact	Tirma
Address	
Telephone	07707 069004
Email	1st.Sandy.Guides@gmail.com
Web	www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested

Aisle O'Var Academy of Arms (AOAA)

Description	Martial arts club which specialises in teaching traditional English martial styles including swordsmanship (single sword, backsword, sabre, longsword), pugilism, quarterstaff. Recognised by Sport England through our governing body, the Amateur Martial Association. Qualified and insured coaches and instructors. Most senior students have fought at national and international championship levels. The club is proud to have both national and world champions as instructors.
Day & Time	Every Wednesday at 8.00pm, please arrive at least ten minutes beforehand. Classes also available on Mondays and other days TBA
At	Weds: Maple Tree Lower School, Hawk Drive, Sandy Open air training: Fallowfield Park
Contact	Jed Pascoe
Address	4 Osprey Close, Sandy, SG19 2TW
Telephone	07785 254510
Email	jedpascoe.illustration@gmail.com
Web	www.swordandstaff.org

Army Cadets

Description	The Army Cadet Force (ACF) has a whole bunch of opportunities that are open to young people both boys and girls, aged 12 (in school year 8) to 18. From Competition Shooting to Rock Climbing, Campcraft and Night Navigation to Swimming and Athletics. The list is endless. All these activities are sponsored by the MOD, which means the costs are extremely low to the cadets themselves, in most cases training is free. Near all equipment is provided for you, so why are you still sitting here reading this? Visit our website now.
Day & Time	Mondays & Wednesdays 19.00-21.30
At	Cadet Centre, Alwick Close, Sandy, SG19 1QY
Contact	Staff Sergeant Instructor Roberto Marino
Address	Cadet Centre, Alwick Close, Sandy, SG19 1QY
Telephone	01992 582434 (preferred)
Email	3631marin@armymail.mod.uk
Web	www.armycadets.com

ASAHI Shotokan Karate Club SANDY

Description	We are traditional Shotokan Karate club teaching Karate to students from ages 4-65 + yrs. The club has been running in Sandy since 1990. We are part of SKAI England and Members of the Amateur Martial Arts Association.
Day & Time	Thursdays, Juniors 7-8pm, Adults (16+) 8-9pm
At	Sandy Village Hall
Contact	Sensei Richard Scoot 6 th Dan
Address	
Telephone	07801 143827/01462 811525
Email	richard.scoot@virgin.net
Web	www.asahishotokankarate.co.uk

ATC (Air Training Corps)

Description 22 (Sandy) Squadron Air Training Corps (RAF Air Cadets) is a voluntary uniformed youth organisation, which is parented by the Royal Air Force, for young people aged 13-17 years of age, or starting from age 12 if in school year 8. There are opportunities to go flying, gliding, camping, adventure training, take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, Citizenship, eight different sports, Parades, Shooting, visits to RAF Stations, international exchanges, overseas Camps, make new friends and have fun.

Day & Time Every Tuesday and Thursday evenings between 1900 - 2130hrs. The squadron also runs activities on a number of weekends.

At ATC/ACF Cadet Centre, Alnwick Close, Sandy, SG19 1UA

Contact Civilian Instructor Jeffrey Henshaw

Address ATC/ACF Cadet Centre, Alnwick Close, Sandy, SG19 1UA

Telephone 01767 691681

Email 22@rafac.mod.gov.uk

Web www.sandy-aircadets.org.uk

Baptist Church Sunday Service

Description Church service including activities for children aged 3-11.

Day & Time Sundays 10.30am

At Sandy Baptist Church

Contact Phil Vass, Deacon

Address

Telephone 07575 722663

Email deacons@sandybaptistchurch.org
phil.vass@sky.com

Web www.sandybaptistchurch.org

Bedfordshire Local Resilience Forum

Description

A Local Resilience Forum (LRF) is a statutory body covering a police force area, designed to bring together category 1 and 2 responders for multi-agency co-operation and information sharing. Under the Civil Contingencies Act (2004) every part of the United Kingdom is required to establish a Local Resilience Forum.

The Bedfordshire Local Resilience Forum (BLRF) was formed in 2004. It brings together the emergency services, local authorities, National Health Service and other agencies which are all required to respond to any major emergency in Bedfordshire.

Day & Time

At

Contact

BLRF Technical Administrator

Address

Telephone

0300 300 4145

Email

BedfordshirePrepared@CentralBedfordshire.gov.uk

Web

Biggles FM

Description

We provide a local radio service involving the community through interviews, discussion and outside broadcasts covering Carnivals, Christmas Lights, special and other local events.

We also feature local musicians/singer songwriters in our broadcasts giving them the opportunity to reach a larger audience.

The station broadcasts to Sandy, Biggleswade, Pottton and surrounding villages and hamlets 24hours a day.

BigglesFM can be heard on 104.8 FM and via the internet on www.bigglesfm.com

Day & Time

At

Contact

Alan Waring

Address

36 Sutton Mill Road, Pottton, Sandy, Beds SG19 2QB

Telephone

01767 260111

Text No.

07710 457495

Email

studio@bigglesfm.com

Web

www.bigglesfm.com

Biggleswade & District Camera Club

Description

Biggleswade & District Camera Club are a group of approximately 60 photographers, male and female, of all ages who meet weekly to learn more about the art of photography. If you enjoy taking photos and want to increase your knowledge of the subject, then please come along to a meeting. We have a varied programme of meetings that includes: visiting speakers who present their work or give tuition, club and inter-club competitions judged by impartial judges, practical, tuition and social evenings and a chance to show others your work. We also get together for photographic trips and visits to exhibitions. You don't have to be an expert to join. It doesn't matter what camera you have, we cater for all formats – digital, prints and audio-visual presentations, (but not video or cine). A warm and friendly welcome awaits you, with help and advice freely given. A grant from the National Lottery 'Awards for All' has enabled the club to buy the latest digital projection equipment, as well as extra lighting for use in studio and still life practical sessions. With every club member now using a digital camera, members are able to upload their competition images via the club website. There are cups, and certificates for winners and several photographic discounts for all members. We also take part in a number of inter-club competitions. Members may submit a gallery of images for our website. New members welcome.

Day & Time At

Thursday evenings 7.30 for 8pm -10pm approx
Sullivan Room, The Weatherley Centre, Eagle Farm Road,
Biggleswade, SG18 8JH

Contact Address

Secretary
C/o The Weatherley Centre, Eagle Farm Road, Biggleswade,
SG18 8JH

Telephone

01767 316176

Email

secretary@biggleswadecameraclub.co.uk

Web

www.biggleswadecameraclub.co.uk

Biggleswade Rugby & Squash Club

Description

Rugby for ages 6 upwards (Minis) and 12-16 years (Youth) both boys and girls teams, including Colts, 3 Senior men's teams and 1 women's team.

Squash all ages and option to play in a league.

Day & Time

Rugby Seniors play Saturday, Mini, Youth & Colts play Sunday, training various nights.

Squash –all day every day.

At

The Clubhouse, Langford Road, Biggleswade, SG18 9RA

Contact

Club Steward or the Chairman

Address

The Clubhouse, Langford Road, Biggleswade, SG18 9RA

Telephone

01767 312463

Email

biggy@biggleswaderugby.co.uk

Web

www.biggleswaderugby.co.uk

Formal Title: Biggleswade Sandy Lions Club (CIO), known as

Biggleswade Sandy Lions

Description

We are a local voluntary service organisation of men and women. We are part of *Lions Clubs International*, the largest voluntary service organisation in the world.

What do we do?

Emergency help for local people in dire need

- We provide easy access to your medical details when you need them in an emergency: **Message in a Bottle, Message in a Wallet** available from doctor's surgeries, libraries etc.
- We collect old spectacles in local opticians and organise sending these to third world countries.
- We provide opportunities for youth.
- Social outings and events for disadvantaged children and the elderly.
- Fun events for the enjoyment of the community, to raise funds for our work.
- Internationally we support eye operations to restore sight and other health and social care in the third world, including international emergency relief needs.
- Lions have provided community and International service for more than 100 years.
- Social activities to encourage fellowship and friendship between members (at member's own expense).
- Please contact us about membership or any of the work we do. Dave & Judi 01462 814693

Day & Time At

We meet on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 8pm
At the Sea Cadet Unit, 4 Station Road, Biggleswade, SG18
8AL. All visitors welcome.

Contact Address

Dave Hagger, Secretary

Telephone

01462 814693

Email

biggsandylions@gmail.com

Web

www.BSLions.org.uk

Facebook: Biggleswade Sandy Lions Club CIO

Charity: Incorporating Biggleswade and Sandy Lions Club
(CIO)Registered Charity No 1193179

Churches Together in Sandy and Beeston

Description Christians from the Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Sandy Community and Vineyard local churches who join together for various activities and services throughout the year.

Day &

Time

At

Contact Mrs Jenny Endersby

Address

Telephone

Email Jennyendersby2@gmailcom

Web

DLJ School of Dance

Description We are an I.S.T.D Dance school offering lessons in Cecchetti Ballet, Modern and Tap. Our dance lessons are based upon the ISTD syllabi and are tailored to help each child reach their full potential. Enjoyment and encouragement for a love of music and movement is highly valued as is the continual improvement of co-ordination, core strength and postural control.

All of our teachers are fully qualified and DBS checked. The teaching and running of the school is overseen by Debbie Jellis a Cecchetti Ballet examiner for the I.S.T.D.

Monday's (term time) 4:00pm onwards

Day &

Time

At

Contact Sandy Conservative Club

Address Debbie Jellis/ Hollie Butler

Telephone 07828109967/07853936098

Email dljschoolofdance@gmail.com

Web www.dljschoolofdance.co.uk

East Beds Youth Choir

Description A well respected auditioned choir for 10 years upwards, boys and girls.

Day & Time Thursdays 6.15pm-7.35pm (Term time)

At Sandy Church Rooms, High Street, Sandy

Contact Naomi Jones

Address

Telephone 07729 728089

Email NJonesChoirs@outlook.com

Web

Friends of Sandy Christmas Lights

Description The Friends of Sandy Christmas Lights are a team of volunteers made up of local residents, town council staff and Councillors. Their aim is to provide an annual Christmas Lights event for the community. Fundraising and planning takes place throughout the year. Anyone interested in joining the group would be most welcome.

Day & Time Monthly meetings held

At Various locations to include Sandy Town Council Offices

Contact Mrs Gee Leach

Address C/o 75 Merlin Drive, Sandy, SG19 2UN

Telephone 01767 683673

Email Friendsofsandychristmaslights@outlook.com

Web <https://www.facebook.com/SandyFoSCL/>

Kestrels Archery

Description Target Archery

Day & Time Indoors (October 1st – March 31st) Saturdays 17.30-20.00 at Stratton Upper School. Outdoors (April 1st – Sept 30th) Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 17.30 and Sundays from 14.00 at Furzenhall Road, Biggleswade.

At See above.

Contact Helen Horner

Address

Telephone 01767 600176

Email helen@hornercorner.com

Web www.kestrelsarchery.org

Let's Get Going Community Interest Company

Description Let's Get Going CIC is a non profit community group passionate about helping families and individuals feel good through nature, moving, having fun and creating! We organise trails around the town, hold events, run separate creative sessions for older crafters, run grown up and child nature/movement games, offer parent support sessions and run a mindset movement course for adults. Funded places are available.

Day & Time Various please visit our website at www.letsgetgoingcic.com or contact us to find out more.

At

Contact Emma Foxley

Address

Telephone 07763 944587

Email info@letsgetgoingcic.com

Website www.letsgetgoingcic.com

Facebook www.facebook.com/LetsGoRahh

Instagram www.instagram.com/letsgetgoingcic

Little Angels Toddler Group

Description Group for children under 5 with their parents and carers.

Day & Time Tuesdays 1.15 – 2.45pm term time only

At Sandy Baptist Church Hall

Contact Jenny Vass

Address

Telephone 01767 448566 / 07856 118666

Email deacons@sandybaptistchurch.org

Web www.sandybaptistchurch.org

Little Ruggers

Description Rugby based sports classes for girls and boys aged 2-8 years.

Day & Time Sunday 8am-midday

At Sandy Sports Centre

Contact Matt Marsden

Address 20 Shepherds Place, Stotfold, SG17 5BF

Telephone 07956 238709

Email info@littleruggers.com

Web www.littleruggers.com

Messy Church (Baptist Church)

Description Church but not as you know it – everyone welcome 0-100+years, stories, art and craft, conversations etc includes light lunch.

Day & Time Last Sunday of the month (except December)10.30am-12.30pm.

At Sandy Baptist Church Hall

Contact Phil Vass, Deacon

Address

Telephone 07575 722663

Email deacons@sandybaptistchurch.org
phil.vass@sky.com

Web www.sandybaptistchurch.org

Respite at Home Volunteers

Description Respite at Home Volunteers West Mid Beds and Ivel Valley – a free befriending service offering help and support to people with life limiting illnesses and their families and carers. The volunteers visit patients in their homes, give practical help where it is needed and become a supporting friend during the illness and beyond if required.

Day & Time

At

Contact Nicola Mills

Address 10 Dane Lane, Wilstead, MK45 3HT

Telephone 01234 743063 / 07483 376077

Email respateathomevolunteers@aol.co.uk

Web www.facebook.com/respateathomevolunteers

Sandy & District Allotment & Leisure Gardeners Association

Description Allotment and Leisure Gardeners Association

Day & Time

At

Contact John Bray – Secretary

Address

Telephone Daytime 07974 000593, evening 01767 226303

Email John.bray50@hotmail.com

Web

Sandy & District Horticultural Association

Description	Local horticultural group that holds regular monthly meetings, workshops, and talks on subjects of a horticultural interest. We also arrange trips and visits during the year to gardens and places of interest. Non-members are very welcome at our activities.
Day & Time	Usually the third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm, but this can vary. Please check our website diary & Facebook page for more up to date information.
At	Various locations. Please check our website diary & Facebook page for up to date information.
Contact	Association Chairman
Address	
Telephone	
Email	Andrew.havergal@outlook.com
Web	www.thesandyshow.org.uk /
Facebook	www.facebook.com/TheSandyShow
Twitter	Twitter @sdhaweb

Sandy & District Probus Club

Description	Retired Business and/or Professional men's Luncheon club plus other social events (membership by invitation)
Day & Time	4th Thursday of each month
At	Sandy Conservative Club
Contact	Honorary Secretary
Address	
Telephone	
Email	b.snowsill@btinternet.com
Web	

Sandy & District Royal British Legion

Description	We have a very active group with lots of outings and fund raising activities.
Day & Time	On the third Wednesday of each month at 8pm
At	Sandy Conservative Club
Contact	Jill Cooke (Secretary)
Address	The Ponds, Simpkin Close, Eaton Socon, St Neots, PE19 8PD
Telephone	07790 527096
Email	mini-cooper-Jill@hotmail.co.uk
Web	http://branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/sandy

Sandy Art Club

Description Group for local artists.
Day & Time Mondays 10am-1pm.
Coffee and tea provided.
£5 per session.
At Sandy Conservative Bowls Club Pavilion
Contact Sandra Inwood
Address
Telephone
Email Sandra.inwood860@gmail.com
Web

Sandy Astronomical Society

Description Amateur astronomy group with access to some expert advice.

We meet during the winter months, October to March (inclusive) for free outreach and star gazing, twice per month on the first and third Monday of the month. This is weather dependent, at Blunham Playing Fields. Viewing is confirmed at 2pm on the date planned via social media.

We also plan for expert talks, either via ZOOM or at Everton Village Hall during summer, April – September (inclusive)

General meetings are via ZOOM
Day & Time Every month, see description, except the month of August.
At ZOOM/ Everton Village Hall, April – September (inclusive) and ZOOM / Blunham Playing Fields October to March (inclusive)
Contact Aprill Harper
Address
Telephone
Email info@sandyastro.co.uk
Web www.sandyastro.co.uk
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SandyAstronomicalSociety>

Sandy Branch of The Leprosy Mission

Description Fundraising for The Leprosy Mission and making people aware of Leprosy and the 'mission' through talks etc. Branch is involved with events in the town – stall at the carnival and a weekly stall, plus organising coffee mornings, trips, concerts etc.

Day & Time Small committee of six only meet twice a year in one of the members houses to plan fundraising events etc.

At

Contact Colin Osborne (Secretary)

Address 2 Leeds Smith Drive, Sandy, SG19 1LU

Telephone 01767 682032

Email Colin.osborne@codocdo.co.uk

Web www.leprosymission.org.uk

Sandy Carnival

Description Organises Sandy Carnival parade and field events

Day & Time Next carnival date 11 June 2022 1pm-5.30pm, venue to be confirmed.

At Meetings held at The Roundabout Club

Contact Hayley Stewart

Address 19 College Road, Sandy

Telephone 01767 223911

Email raven.blackwing09@googlemail.com

Web

Sandy Community Choir

Description Local amateur choir

Day & Time Wednesdays at 7.30pm - 9pm during school term times

At Sandy Baptist Church

Contact Luke Howard

Address

Telephone 07975520085

Email sandycommunitychoir@gmail.com

Web

Sandy Conservative Bowling Club

Description An outdoor Green Bowling Club.
Day & Time A daytime activity in the summer months. Open every day from April to September. All new members are made welcome with tuition available to new bowlers by appointment as needed. All ages and gender are welcome to attend.

At The Bowls Green at the rear of Sandy & District Conservative Club, Bedford Road, Sandy.

Contact
Address Sandy & District Conservative Club, Bedford Road, Sandy
Telephone 01767 680481
Email
Web

Sandy Cricket Club

Description Local sports club offering friendly cricket for those of all abilities.
Day & Time Adult training is held on a Weds 6.30 - 7.30 during the summer with details of indoor winter training on the club website. This includes Colts training for U14s and older.
Junior training is held on a Fri 6.00 - 6.30 for younger colts - 7-9 yrs and 6.30 - 7.30 for U11 and U13 age groups during the summer and during the Winter 9-10am with specific age groups specified on the club website.

At Outdoor training takes place at the club ground on Sunderland Road and indoor training in the sports hall at Sandy Upper school.

Contact Lee Eplett, Coach
Address
Telephone 07870 428 783
Email Cricketfan2791@gmail.com
Web www.sandycricketclub.co.uk

Sandy Enhancement Group

Description	The Sandy Enhancement Group is a team of volunteers who seek by practical means to improve the appearance of Sandy; promoting the floral enhancement of Sandy and undertaking various projects to improve specific areas of the town. The Group holds annual Best Kept Competitions in categories Front Garden, Floral Display, Shop-front, Public House and Restaurant.
Day & Time	Monthly throughout the year. The meetings are held in the evening: date and time vary in line with members commitments, but are announced on social media and town noticeboards.
At	Sandy Library
Contact	David Thomas
Address	51 St Neots Road, Sandy, SG19 1LE
Telephone	01767 691333 (Nigel Aldis)
Email	sandyenhancement@gmail.com
Web	www.mysandy.org.uk

Sandy Flower Club

Description	Come and spend a relaxing evening watching qualified demonstrators arranging flowers for all occasions and learning how to do it yourself. The arrangements are all raffled at the end of the evening.
Day & Time	7.30pm 2 nd Monday of every month
At	Bowls Club Pavillion at the rear of the Conservative Club in Bedford Road, Sandy.
Contact	Marian Attfield
Address	23 Bedford Road, Sandy, SG19 1EW
Telephone	Marian 01767 226275, Sue 01767 699729, Trixie 01767 681999
Email	t.m.attfield@ntlworld.com
Web	

Sandy Good Neighbours

Description Our aim is to provide assistance to Sandy and Beeston residents, particularly the elderly or infirm, who may be housebound or have difficulty getting about or accessing local services.

We offer lifts to medical facilities, shops, hairdressers, assistance with shopping, small household tasks such as fitting light bulbs, help with moving heavy items, dog walking etc. We also offer befriending by visiting and providing companionship to the lonely within our community and assistance with form filling, computer operation etc.

Basically, we do anything that one caring neighbour would do for another.

We also run a Friendship Club on Monday mornings at Stonecroft lounge, 10am-12noon. We chat, do light activities, have a raffle and occasional outings. Costs £3 each per week.

Day & Time Mon – Fri 09.00-17.00

At As required

Contact Chairman Stephen Ralph

Address

Telephone 07810 213935 (Group mobile number)

Email Stephen.ralph@ntlworld.com

Web

Sandy Good Neighbours Friendship Club

Description Friendship Club

Day & Time Mondays from 10am

At Stonecroft Community Hall, St Swithun's Way, Sandy

Contact Janet Croucher

Address

Telephone 01767 680107

Email b.croucher@sky.com

Sandy Guild

Description A group of local people offering friendship, support and fundraising within Sandy and the local community.

Day & Time Monthly

At

Contact Gill Shaw

Address

Telephone

Email Sandyguild2019@gmail.com

Web

Sandy Historical Research Group

Description	<p>The group was formed in 2002, in order to preserve as much of Sandy's historical past as possible, for the benefit of the citizens of Sandy and visitors to the town. The group's archive includes more than 3000 photographs, some dating back to the end of the nineteenth/early twentieth century. The group also holds maps, deeds and other relevant documents which help to record the social history of Sandy for a period covering over 200 years. The group's ultimate aim is to acquire suitable premises for a town museum, so that the material and artefacts that have been gathered can be properly displayed for the benefit and education of local people and as an attraction for visitors to the town. In the meantime, the group holds several public exhibitions through the year, either in conjunction with other town events or on a 'standalone' basis at locations like the Baptist and Methodist Church Halls (check local press and posters for details). Membership of the group is £15 per annum and benefits include 2 SHRUB magazines, published twice a year in the Spring and Autumn and free entry to our speaker and standalone events (entry fees may apply for events hosted by other organisers).</p> <p>The group has published two volumes of 'Pictorial Memories of Sandy' and a collection of postcards of old Sandy, copies of which are available online or from Sandy Greetings and Stationery.</p> <p>We also sell our publications including SHRUB magazines at our public events throughout the year. 'Pictorial Memories' are each priced £9.99, postcard packs cost £3.50, and SHRUB magazines are priced in the range of £1.00 to £4.00.</p>
Day & Time	Speaker events on the history of Sandy and the surrounding area are held at local halls and usually cost £4.00 per visitor (members free). If you join on the night, your entry fee will be refunded.
At	Exhibitions are held at local halls and usually cost between £2.00 and £4.00 per visitor (members free).
Contact	Richard Barlow
Address	
Telephone	01767 226392
Email	secretary@shrg.uk
Web	www.shrg.uk

Sandy Historical Society

Description Sandy Historical Society is a small group of people interested in local and general history. The Society is now over 45 years old. We meet monthly from September to April and during the summer arrange an outing also a garden party along with a Christmas party.

Day & Time On last Friday of month at 7.30pm. Sept to April

At Stonecroft Hall, St Swithun's Way, Sandy

Contact Pat Whiteaker

Address 1 Elmtree Road, Sandy, SG19 1DS

Telephone 01767 680171

Email whitsend@virginmedia.com

Web

Sandy Neighbourhood Plan

Description A neighbourhood plan is a document created by local people that sets out planning policies for the neighbourhood area. Those planning policies are then used by the local planning authority to decide whether to approve planning applications for the neighbourhood area. The Steering Group is made up of Councillors, residents and businesses of the town.

Day & Time 7pm on third Thursday of the month.

At Sandy Town Council Chamber, 10 Cambridge Road, Sandy, SG19 1JE

Contact Cllr A Gibson

Address C/o Sandy Town Council, 10 Cambridge Road, Sandy, SG19 1JE

Telephone 01767 681491

Email admin@sandytowncouncil.gov.uk

Web www.sandytowncouncil.gov.uk/community/neighbourhood-plan

Sandy Night Owl's WI

Description

Day & Time First Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm

At The Conservative Club, Bedford Road, Sandy

Contact sandynightowlswi@gmail.com

Address

Telephone

Email

Web

Sandy Photography Club

Description Sandy Photography Club is an enthusiastic group of amateur photographers, from beginners to advanced, who enjoy the many aspects of photography.

Working together in a friendly and supportive atmosphere, they hold meetings, discussions, workshops and organise various exhibitions for the local and neighbouring communities.

Members of SPC are a mix of ages, genders and abilities, constantly progressing in creativity and imagination, learning various aspects of photo techniques to express their enjoyment of photography.

Why not come along?..... membership is free!
It's never too late to join Sandy Photography Club.

Day & Time Various events – please check website

At Various

Contact Carlos Santino

Address

Telephone

Email carlos@sandyphotoclub.uk

Web www.sandyphotoclub.uk

Facebook <https://facebook.com/SandyPhotographyClub/>

Sandy Town Bowls Club

Description Flat green lawn bowls. Ladies & men, Juniors (under 18's) must be supervised by an adult. All Welcome.

Day & Time Between April and September

At Sandy Town Bowls Club Green, at rear of Sandy Village Hall, Engayne Avenue, Sandy

Contact Glenys Taverner

Address

Telephone

Email Glenys.stbc@btinternet.com

Web www.sandytownbowlingclub.org

Sandy Transport Society

- Description** We give presentations on all forms of transport including railways, aircraft, ships, canals etc.
The Society was formed in Sandy in 1981.
See the Sandy Transport Society or Sandy Facebook page or the What's On page of Sandy Town Council's website for details of meetings.
Membership £10 per year.
Visitors £2 per meeting includes tea, coffee & biscuits.
- Day & Time** Last Wednesday of every month
7.30pm – 10pm
- At** Sandy Conservative Club Hall.
- Contact** Stephen Nakoneczny
- Address**
- Telephone** 07714 268983
- Email** Stephen.nakoneczny@macace.net
- Web**



Sandy Twinning Association

Description

Sandy Twinning Association has two international links; a twinning with the Normandy town of Malaunay situated just to the north of Rouen and a cooperation with the community of Skarszewy, which is 40 miles due south of Gdansk in Northern Poland in the province of Pomerania. The Malaunay link has been in existence for almost 40 years and is increasingly a family-to-family exchange 'though we do encourage the involvement of community groups, such as local choirs and sports teams. The ukulele group was the last to visit in 2019 and was very well received and performed a concert in the local parish church. In May 2018 we hosted a 40-strong coach party from Normandy town and took them to Bury St Edmunds for the day. Inevitably the pandemic has halted all activities during 2020 and 2021 but we do hope to resume our links next year with the main focus on celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Malaunay link. We hope this will take place in sandy over the weekend of May7/8th.

The Skarszewy link dates from 1995 and has much more of a utilitarian flavour. We have run until 2019 an annual English summer school in Skarszewy with volunteer sixth form students and there have been various exchanges of pupil groups, clubs and individuals. 2020 marked 25 years of the link but the pandemic put paid to any celebrations and also to our hopes of starting another summer school in the nearby cathedral city of Pelpin. For nearly two decades anglers from Sandy have enjoyed exchange visits with the PKZ club and another invitation has already been received for 2022. A civic delegation from the Polish town has taken part in the Remembrance Day parade in Sandy and we hope this too can be revived. Councillors from Sandy and twinning members have visited Skarszewy on the occasion of their Sobotki (carnival) celebrations in recent years. The association also runs social events, including a barbecue and quiz night, throughout the year. The current President of the Association is Max Hill.

Day & Time

Occasionally as required.

At

The Conservative Club

Contact

Max Hill and Martin Pettitt

Address

Max Hill, 21 The Green, Beeston, Sandy, SG19 1PE

Telephone

Max Hill, 01767 681469

Email

Max Hill, amaxhill@outlook.com

Web

www.towntwinning.org.uk

Sandy Ukulele Group

Description Music Group
Day & Time Every Friday 7pm-9pm
At Sandy Baptist Chapel Hall, Bedford Road, Sandy
Contact
Address
Telephone
Email Sandyukulelegroup1@gmail.com
Web www.sandyukulelegroup.com

Sandy Women's Institute

Description
Day & Time Meets on the third Tuesday of each month (except August) at 10am
At Conservative Club, Bedford Road, Sandy
Contact Valerie Haygarth
Address 19 The Green, Beeston, Sandy, SG19 1PE
Telephone 01767 691711
Email sandywibeds@gmail.com
Web www.facebook.com/SandyWI

Sing and Sign

Description 'Sing and Sign' combines a music group with the chance to learn some useful signs that will encourage early communication with your child. It is aimed at children from 6 weeks to 18 months, ie pre-speech and as speech is developing. Studies have shown that use of baby signing can lessen frustration in babies and toddlers, develop the language centres of the brain and stimulate learning and understanding in general.

Day & Time Friday mornings
At St Swithun's Church Rooms
Contact Julie Warriner
Address
Telephone 01767 691488
Email enquiries@beds-singandsign.com
Web www.singandsign.com

St Swithun's Singers

Description A very friendly mixed-voice singing group. No auditions! Choir performs two main concerts a year in St Swithun's Church, but main purpose is for people to enjoy singing for the sheer pleasure of making music together. Annual membership fee £30.00

Day & Time Monday evenings 19.15-20.45

At St Swithun's Church.

There is close car parking on road or in large car park opposite the Church.

Contact Elizabeth Gammell (Musical Director)

Address

Telephone 07976 696617

Email elizabethgammell@hotmail.com

Web

Talk of the Town

Description Community Transport Bus serving Community Groups in Sandy and Bedfordshire. The bus can be hired for one off journeys to attend social events, competitions, day trips, shopping trips, etc. The bus is fully accessible to disabled passengers and can carry up to 3 passengers in wheelchairs and up to 16 passengers if no wheelchairs. The bus can be hired for use by community groups and clubs, care homes, schools, etc., or any not-for-profit organisation. The bus can be hired as self drive or driver provided, if available. Please use contact details below to hire the bus or to volunteer to help organise, or drive, the bus.

Day & Time The bus is available any day of the week

At The bus is kept at Sandy Conservative Club

Contact Nigel Aldis

Address 7 Mayfield Court, Sandy, SG19 1JF

Telephone 07720 089886

Email Nigel.aldis1@gmail.com

Web

Youth Parliament

Description Central Bedfordshire Youth Voice is a collection of Youth groups designed to get the voice of Young People heard by decision makers. All of the Youth Voice groups are run for Young People and by Young People who volunteer their time to make a difference in their communities. Central Bedfordshire Youth Voice is supported by workers from Central Bedfordshire Council who believe that the best people to make decisions for Young People are Young People!

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<https://www.cbyouthvoice.co.uk/>

