# TRING TOWN COUNCIL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2023/24

Tring Town Council does its best to ensure that Tring is a great place to live, and that everything works in a 'joined-up' sort of way. However, Tring would not function in the way that it does without the dedicated involvement of its citizens and social or special-interest groups. In order to ensure the principles of consistency and partnership, Tring Town Council welcomes the opportunity to provide representation on a number of local organisations. Details of these are given below:

### **BODY OR ORGANISATION**

# **REPRESENTATIVE**

# **Tring Community Centre Management Committee**

Tring Community Centre is run and managed by the Tring Community Association, which is a self-funded registered charity providing events, activities and facilities for the local community of all ages.

Cllr S. Wilkie

## Tring Together (as observer)

Tring Together plans and organises events and activities for the town, involving community groups, the business community, Tring's residents and its visitors. Cllr P. Reynolds

### **Old Church House Management Committee**

The Old Church House is a small Community Hall that serves in general the young people of Tring. It also hosts activities for all age groups, and offers facilities for a wide range of regular activities that include Dance, Martial Arts, Drama, Pilates, Yoga and toddler groups.

Cllr C. Noxon

# **Tring Charities**

Tring Charities has an excellent reputation for providing homes for older people in financial need, and aims to provide a safe and secure environment for its residents who are expected to live independently, without supervision and to care for themselves. The Charity also funds their 'Millennium Education' facility which provides grants towards the further education of young people with limited resources.

Cllr P. Hearn

### Tring & District Local History & Museum Society

The Museum tells the story of the town, the area, its history and the many fascinating people associated with it. Staffed by volunteers, the Museum is currently open on Fridays and Saturdays only.

Cllr B. Patterson

### The Friends of Tring Church Heritage

A well-established group whose main aim is to preserve the fabric of the Church of St Peter and St Paul, right in the heart of Tring, to continue to offer the church not just as a place of worship, but as a social focal point for the town.

Cllr B. Patterson

# County Market Company Ltd (trading as Tring Farmers'

Market) - observer status

Tring Farmers Market is a well-established fortnightly (Saturdays throughout the year) attraction to Tring's town centre and meet on the Market Place.

Cllr C. Weston

# **Tring Sports Forum**

Cllr P. Hearn Cllr N. Nutkins Tring Sports Forum is a volunteer group representing Tring residents, sports clubs and other organisations. Its main aims include: ensuring that adequate sports & leisure facilities for the whole community are provided for in local development planning, and assisting the various bodies in implementation

### **Churches Together in Tring**

There are six established churches in Tring and a number of others in the neighbouring villages. These churches vary in denomination, size, as well as architectural, theological and worship style. However, Churches Together in Tring (CTT) believe in strengthening Tring's community by working together whenever and wherever they can.

Cllr S. Wilkie

### **Justice & Peace Group**

This group has been instrumental in enabling Tring to gain 'Fairtrade Town' status. They also champion local businesses who provide Fairtrade and/or local food and drink, and are active in encouraging the idea of making Tring 'bee-friendly'!

Cllr N. Nutkins

### **Hertfordshire Association of Parish & Town Councils**

A forum enabling Town and Parish Council Officers to share common issues and ensure consistency of approach.

Town Clerk Mrs L Housden

### Arla/Olleco Liaison Group

Meetings are held at the factory with representatives of nearby councils who can raise any issues to do with Arla, Olleco or their suppliers. Problems are very rare and localised and tend to be about odour, light pollution, HGV traffic, noise and drainage. Tring seems well protected from these by the ridge of the hill and nearly all HGV movements leave the area unnoticed along the A41. Since 1880 Arla has grown into one of the largest food manufacturers in N Europe and is a co-operative owned by nearly 10,000 farmers. The UK company is a private subsidiary with 15 dairy farmers owning shares and another 175 represented on the board. Olleco makes green energy and soil improver using waste from Arla and on-site packaging and produces bio-fuel from used cooking oil elsewhere.

Cllr B Patterson

### **Dacorum Environmental Forum (DEF)**

This voluntary organisation meets quarterly (currently online) to discuss matters of environmental interest within Dacorum, including Tring.

Cllr Robert Farrow (Cllr Blair as substitute)

### **Rothschild Surgery**

This 'patient participation' group works closely with the GP practice to try to ensure the best quality of care for local people. It also provides information to Tring people about local, regional and national healthcare organisations and issue.

Cllr C. Nutkins

### **Tring Place Strategy**

A company was commissioned by DBC to carry out a place consultancy project in Tring and there is now a narrative for the Town. This group has now formed to take certain projects forward including welcoming visitors, communicating to current residents, developing a positive voice for Tring and measurement of success.

Cllr C. Blair Town Clerk Mrs L Housden Deputy Clerk, C. Murray