



Be part of a `Greener Guildford`

Celebrate Guildford's Car Free Day on Sunday 24 September. Join in the fun as we put pedestrians first for 'Car Free Day 2023'.

See our town centre transformed for a day of celebrations and free family fun promoting a `Greener Guildford` funded by the UK government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

The town centre will come alive between 10am and 4.30pm with a variety of eye-catching market stalls, delicious vegan street food, live music and street play for children. There'll also be lots of information and activities demonstrating how we can all do our bit to help tackle climate change and be part of a `Greener Guildford`.

This year the event will focus on educating and informing our community on the causes and effects of climate change. To empower everyone to take responsibility in changing their lifestyles. To adapt and reduce the effects of climate change through providing fresh ideas and solutions to our current carbon emissions.

Discover more about `Plastic Free Guildford`. Find the `Water Refill Stations` around the town. Or pledge support to the `Reusable Coffee Cups` scheme all brought to you by our partners at Experience Guildford.

Enjoy arts, crafts, antiques, vegan market stalls and much more including:

- E-Bikes

Have a go on the E-Bikes being demonstrated by Fully Charged, Guildford on the closed Upper High Street

- Guildford Environment Forum

Find out about how more than 330 Guildford Environment Forum members have been tackling the loss of biodiversity and promoting sustainable transport solutions over the last 29 years

- Zero Carbon Guildford

Talk to the team to find out how you can help Guildford become carbon neutral

- Street Play

Have fun on Tunsgate with our Community Wellbeing Team. The Playrangers will be on hand all day so you can play `traffic free`. If you have fun, why not join a Playranger session Monday – Wednesday?

- Climbing Wall

Head to the Upper High Street and get an eagle's eye view of the town centre from the top of SOLD's 9 metre climbing tower

- Rock choir

Enjoy the mutli-layered singing experience of Rock Choir. Hear them outside the Guildhall under Tunsgate Arch on the High Street at intervals during the day.

- Extra bike racks

Cycling in but don't know where to park? We're providing extra bike racks during the day. Safely Park your bike right in the town centre. Remember to collect your bike by 5pm.

Lead Councillor Climate Change, Councillor George Potter said:

"We're fully committed to working with our residents in the fight to tackle climate change. It has never been more important for us all to play our part in the face of a climate catastrophe. Guildford alone cannot solve all the problems, but I hope that as many people as possible will visit Car Free Day to see what our town centre could look like without cars and to further understand how we can all play our part in dealing with the climate crisis."

Lead Councillor for Commercial Services, Cllr Catherine Houston added:

"We're committed to becoming a net-zero carbon borough by 2030. Making journeys without our cars can be more convenient and fun than a lot of us first think.

"Car Free Day is going to be a lot of fun whilst helping us all understand how we can play our part in creating a 'Greener Guildford'. So, leave your car at home and walk, cycle, skate or grab a bus and enjoy a free family fun day!"

Car Free Day gives everyone a chance to have fun and celebrate in our town centre without the cars. It gives you the chance to see how our town centre could look in the future.

Stay up to date and learn more about this event at www.visitsurrey.com/guildfordcarfreeday23