

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Your gateway to updates on programs, events, town services, and other important information!

Construction at Bradley Airport to Alter Air Traffic Patterns



The CT Airport Authority has informed us they will be rehabilitating Runway 6/24, BDL's primary runway, starting in May. Runway 6/24 runs from Route 75 at the northeast end of BDL to Route 20 to the southwest. During construction, Runway 6/24 will be closed and operations will continue at the airport exclusively on Runway 15/33, BDL's secondary runway. This will result in more air traffic over portions of Windsor and Windsor Locks, less traffic over portions of Suffield, and East Granby's impacts being shifted from one part of town to another. **Runway 6/24 is scheduled to close on May 1, and it is expected to reopen in November.**

2025 Street Sweeping



Sweeping of all town streets and town parking lots is scheduled to begin the week of **April 14**, **2025**. Sweeping will be performed in the neighborhoods listed below in the following order:

- · River Street, Strawberry Hills neighborhood
- Day Hill Rd Industrial area
- Rainbow area
- · School parking lots

- Walden Meadow, Prospect Hill neighborhoods
- Poquonock, Farmstead, Village Lane neighborhood
- Bloomfield Ave area, Dudley Town Rd
- Matianuck Ave area
- Willowcrest, Meadowbrook, Green Manor neighborhoods
- Wilson area
- Deerfield area
- Arrowbrook, Oakland Hills neighborhoods
- Clover, Plymouth, Ludlow neighborhoods
- Windsor Center, Nook Farms neighborhoods
- Mill Brook (Mack St, East St, Pleasant St, Pigeon Hill neighborhoods
- Kennedy Rd South, Pilgrim Village, Palisado South neighborhoods
- Kennedy Rd. North, Hayden Station, Palisado North neighborhoods

Sweeping of school parking lots will happen during school vacation the week of April 14 before sweeping the streets.

Sweeping of bricks and sidewalks near the Green, the Town library, railroad station, Milo Peck Child Development Center, Windsor Avenue, the medians in Wilson, and the Windsor Center River Trail will also be done.

The order of the neighborhoods to be swept changes each year so that one neighborhood is not always swept first or swept last.

Pavement Preservation Program on I-91 in Harftord & Windsor

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) is announcing that a pavement preservation program will be performed on I-91 in Hartford and Windsor. This project is scheduled to start **April 13** and last into mid-November.

There will be various intermittent lane closures on I-91 northbound and southbound from **Sundays through Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 5:00 AM**. Traffic control signing patterns, police, and flaggers will be utilized to guide motorists through the work zone.

In addition, various on and off-ramps including Exits 33, 34, 35, 36 and the HOV lanes may be closed to support milling and paving operations. Traffic will be detoured to the nearest ramp, following clearly marked detour signs with temporary traffic control.

Renter's Rebate Program for Eligible Connecticut Renters

Beginning in April, State law offers a reimbursement program for Connecticut renters who are elderly or totally disabled, with incomes that do not exceed a certain limit. This program is available to those renting an apartment, room, or living in cooperative housing or a mobile home. Renters' rebates can be up to \$900 for married couples and \$700 for single individuals. Grants are subject to income requirements as outlined in Connecticut law. Windsor Social Services is processing Renters' Rebate applications.

Applicants can visit the town's website for a link to the Renters' Rebate information, including required documents and further instructions. They may also call the Social Services office for assistance. Windsor Housing Authority residents can use a drop box in each of the community rooms for document submission. Here is a link to the Social Service's monthly newsletter which highlights this program as well as others:

townofwindsorct.com/app/uploads/sites/20/2025/03/2025-April-Social-Services-Insert.pdf

Wilson Branch Library Adds Area for Three Public

Computer Workstations



The Wilson Branch Library is repurposing an unused display case into three public computer workstations, thanks to donated funds from the former Christ the King Lutheran Church. Built into the northeast portion of the original 1965 building, the large oak case will find renewed purpose serving the technology needs of library users. The branch currently has ten public computers, grouped together in close proximity to electrical outlets and data jacks. The new area will offer more privacy for patrons working on personal documents and more space for those receiving technology help from library staff. Last year, there were nearly 4,500 public computer users at the branch.

Workshop on Energy Efficiency for Commercial Properties

On **Thursday, April 24 at 10:00 AM at Windsor Town Hall** there will be a workshop for commercial property owners on the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy program (CPACE). CPACE is a financing structure in which building owners borrow money for energy efficiency, renewable energy, or other projects and make repayments via an assessment on their property tax bill. The financing arrangement then remains with the property even if it is sold, facilitating long-term investments in building performance. The workshop is presented by the CT Green Bank and SustainableCT.

Prior registration is requested at **ctgreenbank.com/windsorcpaceworkshop**. More information on CPACE can be found at **ctgreenbank.com/building-solutions/c-pace**.

2025 Neighborhood Assistance Act Proposals Welcome



Community non-profit organizations are welcomed to submit applications for the Connecticut Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA), a State Tax Credit Program that provides funding for municipal and tax exempt organizations. Eligible programs include, but are not limited to: energy conservation, employment and training, child care services, neighborhood assistance, substance abuse, open space acquisition,

and affordable housing development. For more information and the application form, please visit the Community Development Neighborhood Assistance Act page at townofwindsorct.com/community-development/neighborhood-assistance-act. Applications are due by close of business day on May 21, 2025

Local Tax Relief for Elderly and Persons with Disabilities

Real Estate tax relief reductions for elderly and persons with disabilities are available to qualified Windsor residents meeting the income and/or age guidelines. **The application period is until May 15**. A taxpayer who is 65 years old, or 100% Social Security disabled, owns and occupies a home in Windsor and meets certain income guidelines may be eligible for elderly tax relief benefits. Annual income guidelines for the State of Connecticut program are:

• Single person household up to \$45,200

Married up to \$55,100

In addition to the state program, the Town of Windsor provides for local elderly tax relief benefits. A taxpayer that is 65 years old, owns and occupies a home in Windsor, and does not meet the previously mentioned income guidelines may still be eligible for a local benefit listed below. Income guidelines for this year are:

Single: \$45,201 - \$62,200Married: \$55,101 - \$62,200

A guide to these exemptions is available at the Town Assessor's office and online at townofwindsorct.com/app/uploads/sites/4/2017/07/exemptionguide-6-2025-02-11.pdf.

For more information, call the Assessor's Office at 860-285-1817.

Wilson and Deerfield Earth Day Community Cleanup



WILSON & DEERFIELD COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Come celebrate Earth Day with us on **Saturday, April 26, 2025 from 10:00 AM to Noon at Sharshon Park on Skitchewaug Street** and help with a community clean up. Gloves, bags and water will be provided for all volunteers. Rain date is May 3, 2025 from 10:00 AM – Noon. For questions, please call Flavia Rey deCastro at 860-285-1985 or email at reydecastro@townofwindsorct.com.

Earth Day Hike



Celebrate Earth Day with the Conservation Commission. Come join us on **Saturday**, **April 26**, **2025** at **10:00 AM** at the **Mill Brook Open Space**, for a guided hike with the Windsor Conservation Commission's naturalist, Brad Robinson. Discover the urban habitats in the heart of Windsor. We will meet at the Old Clubhouse on Pigeon Hill Rd. For more information about the Conservation Commission, please visit townofwindsorct.com/sf/show/commission/6 or call 860-2385-1987.

Summer of 10,000 Flowers



Get ready to grow beautiful sunflowers while expanding your knowledge of Windsor's Plan of Conservation and Development. The "Summer of 10,000 Flowers" community engagement initiative will kick into high gear next week.

As the Planning Department continues to encourage residents to participate in the online survey and host community meetings over the coming months, residents are encouraged to plant sunflowers to *grow along* with the POCD process.

Seed packets will be available starting April 17 at various town facilities and local Windsor businesses including Jordan Florist, the Bean, Ace, Blue Dragonfly, Windsor Federal Savings and the Windsor Art Center. The Windsor Garden Club will have seeds available at their annual "Garden Mart" on the Eagle Green scheduled for May 10.

Participants are encouraged to take photos of their sprouts and flowers and submit them to be included in a drawing for "Windsor swag" prizes. Learn more at plan.windsorct.com. Questions? Call 860-285-1835.

There's a lot to do in Windsor - Summer Edition

SUMMER 2025 MAGAZINE

DELIVERED THE WEEK OF 4/21 OR AVAILABLE DIGITALLY ON OUR WEBSITE



The summer edition of *There's a lot to do in Windsor* will be available the week of April 21 at town facilities and will be delivered to residents together with the Hartford Courant inserts the week of **April 21**.

Don't miss all the exciting programs and services available to Windsor residents this summer including swim lessons, community block parties, Shad Derby information and more. Call 860-285-1835 for more information.

Windsor Police Cadets Spaghetti Supper



Come join the Windsor Police Cadets for their Annual Spaghetti Supper, to be held **Saturday**, **April 26**, **2025** at the Windsor Volunteer Fire Department, **340** Bloomfield Avenue, from **4:30** PM to **7:00** PM. The event will be curbside pick-up only.

The cost of tickets are \$10.00 and must be purchased in advance. For advance tickets, contact Sergeant Bernard Petkis at (860) 298-4322 or email him at petkis@townofwindsorct.com. Tickets will not be available at the door.

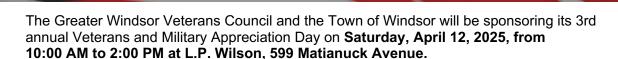
Shad Derby Trivia Contest



Share your knowledge and enter the Shad Derby Trivia Contest that will be held on **Thursday**, **April 24 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Back East Brewing Company**, **1296 Blue Hills Avenue in Bloomfield**. Teams of up to 6 members (age 21 and up only) can compete across five rounds of questions ranging from general knowledge to Windsor History to fish! Prizes will be awarded to contest winners, best team name, and more. For more information, call 860-688-3813.

To register, go to windsorhistoricalsociety.org/event/shad-derby-trivia-contest-2. For more information on Shad Derby events, go to windsorshadderby.org.

Veterans and Military Appreciation Day



A primary purpose of this event is to connect veterans with valuable resources from the community. Organizations that will host a showcase table range from The Vet Center, to Veteran-specific outdoors clubs, to assistive technology, social services, and more. We will have a Touch-a-truck activity, bounce house, yard games, and face painting for the little ones, plus speakers at noon-time, free pizza, and dessert. Everyone is invited!



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