

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

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National Night Out



Join the Police Department on the Windsor Town Green, **Tuesday**, **August 5**, **from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM** for the 2025 National Night Out. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Enjoy live music, lawn games, delicious food, hula hoop contests, raffles, and so much more! Please bring non-perishable food items to Stuff-a-Cruiser to support the Windsor Food & Fuel Bank.

Rainbow Reservoir



There is currently a blue-green algae bloom occurring in the Rainbow Reservoir. Some blue-green algae blooms produce toxins (cyanotoxins) that can be harmful to:

- Humans (causing skin rashes, nausea, respiratory issues or liver damage if ingested)
- Pets especially dogs who drink or swim in contaminated water Safety tips:
 - Avoid swimming, boating, or fishing in water with visible blooms
 - Do not let pets drink or play in water with visible algae
 - Wash your hands and rinse off pets after contact with natural water bodies

For more information, go to: portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Water/Water-Quality/Blue-Green-Algae-Blooms

Programs at Gateway Park



As we move through the rest of the summer, the recreation staff are excited to roll out a lineup of events and activities at Gateway Park in Wilson.

Among the scheduled highlights are:

- Community Yoga sessions on Wednesdays, August 6 and 20, from 6:30 PM 7:30
- Yard Games on the Great Lawn, on Wednesdays, August 13 and 27, from 6:00 PM -7:30 PM
- Soul Queens Music Performance, Friday, August 29 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM
- The Windsor Public School Mobile Activity Bus will be at the park in September
- A Food Truck Evening will showcase a variety of Windsor-based food trucks
- Rounding out the season, a special chess afternoon is being planned for October

Bicycle Friendly Community Survey



The town has recently applied to the League of American Bicyclists for possible designation as a Bicycle Friendly Community. As part of the League's review process we are distributing a survey to the community. The link to the survey is www.surveymonkey.com/r/BFC_2025. The survey window closes October 1st. Bicycle Friendly Community award results are expected to be announced in December.

Senior Services Annual Summer Picnic



The Annual Senior Summer Picnic will be held on **Friday**, **August 8**, **from 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM** at the Senior Center. This year's event includes a BBQ lunch, ice cream sundaes, and live music from The Jim Royle Steel Drum Trio. Full details of are posted in the Senior Center newsletter and at **townofwindsorct.com/senior-services/** Call 860-285-1992 for more information.

East Coast Greenway Routing

Since 1991, the East Coast Greenway Alliance has led the development of more than 1,000 miles of protected greenways to advance a safe, connected corridor for walking, biking and active transportation up and down the east coast. Portions of the Greenway traverse Connecticut, but there are gaps in the network. The Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) has conducted an East Coast Greenway study to look at routing options from Bloomfield through Hartford and into East Hartford. The preferred alignment shows the trail routed through Keney Park exiting at the park entrance in Wilson on Windsor Ave and connecting via Meadow Road to Riverfront Recapture's future park. CRCOG's draft study document is available for review. Public comments are being accepted until August 8. To review the plan and comment on it, please go to the project website at: crcog.org/capitol-region-ecg-study/

Road Closure - Pleasant Street

Just as a reminder, Pleasant Street will be closed through August 18th due to construction.

Traffic is detoured via Poquonock Avenue and Palisado Avenue. Flaggers and police will assist with traffic control. Dates are subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen events.

Railroad Crossing at Macktown Road

Amtrak is upgrading the tracks at the railroad crossing on Macktown Road between **August 21** - **September 9**. This work will require Macktown Road to be closed at the tracks to vehicles and pedestrians for the entire period. We are assisting Amtrak in informing the public of this extended construction and road closure.

Street Repaying Update

The town is currently working on roadway improvement projects in several areas over the next few months as part of the town's Pavement Management Plan. Round 1 was completed and work is beginning for Round 2 & 3.

The first part of this type of work involves replacing storm drains. Once drainage work is complete, crews will begin milling the roads—this means removing the top layer of old asphalt usually around two inches to create a smooth, even surface for repaving. Finally, a new layer of asphalt will be applied to restore the roadway.

We appreciate your patience during this essential maintenance work.

Click here to view the full schedule

Pigeon Hill Road Repaving - Addison Road to Marshall Phelps Road

Replacement of the catch basin tops on Pigeon Hill Road is scheduled to start this month. We expect the milling and paving – from Marshall Phelps Road to Addison Road - to be completed after this fall.

Welch Park & O'Brien Field Court Updates

The reconstructed tennis and pickleball courts at Welch Park are open for use.

The playing surface at O'Brien Field is nearing 100% completion. While the final items are completed both the track and field surface remain closed. We are expecting the facility to be fully reopened the week of **August 11th.**





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