

Bury St Edmunds Eliminator Information for 26 March 2022

Parking

The cheapest (and closest) long stay parking is at Ram Meadow IP33 1XT, a 10-minute walk from the Norman Tower, through the Abbey Gardens. Charges: up to 3 hours £2.50, all day £3. RingGo (cashless parking) location code 4483.

The Shire Hall car park, bays 1-40, behind the Premier Inn, IP33 2AR. Also £3 for the day.

There is also parking on Angel Hill directly opposite the Cathedral. Charges: up to 1 hour £2.70, up to 2 hours £4.00. RingGo (cashless parking) location code 4494.

Public Transport

There is a train station in Bury St Edmunds, approximately a 20-minute walk from the Norman Tower.

Trains run from London Liverpool Street and from Peterborough.

Toilets

There are toilets at Ram Meadow Car Park. There are toilets adjacent to the Cathedral, by the Pilgrims Kitchen (Cathedral Refectory) and also public toilets are just past the main entrance to the Abbey Gardens (Abbey Gate).

Catering

There will be a catering cart on Edmund Green by the South door of the Cathedral, serving tea/coffee (basic stuff no lattes etc), soft drinks, bacon sandwiches, sausage, and vegetarian sausage baps from 9.30am to 4pm. To reduce waste bringing a re-usable mug for hot drinks would be appreciated, but disposable paper cups will be available too.

A bar will be in the south transept of the nave selling real ale, cider, wine, and soft drinks from 10.30 to 5.30

Customers need to buy tokens, by cash or card, to obtain drinks from the bar, as there will be no cash sales at the bar.

Customers will be age checked when purchasing tokens, and over 18's given a wristband.

Any profits will be split between two charities, Macmillan Cancer Support and Gatehouse, an independent charity that works with the vulnerable throughout East Anglia.

Refreshments

There are also plenty of other places to eat and drink in Bury but the nearest is the Cathedral Refectory.

Pilgrims Kitchen – open from 9.00am to 5.00pm and serving breakfast until 11am and lunches from 12 – 2.30pm, cakes are available all day. There is step free access via the Cathedral Cloisters. There may be a cake stall in the Cathedral from 2.00-5.00pm depending on staffing availability on the day.

What else to do

Cathedral Millennium Tower Tours available at 12 noon and 1.30pm, cost £10 per person, limited to 10 people per tour can be booked on the day from the Cathedral shop. First come first served.

Guided tour of the Cathedral available at 12 noon, 1.00pm and 2.00pm cost £5 pay on the day in the shop.

Cathedral LEGO The Cathedral is being recreated in LEGO bricks, help the building by buying a brick or two.

The Abbey Gardens, behind the Cathedral, contain the Abbey ruins to explore and a play area for children.

Museums and shops – visit the traditional centre of Bury, as well as the modern Arc Shopping Centre.

Accommodation

There are two Premier Inns in Bury St Edmunds, both within walking distance of the town centre.

There are several other B&B's and The Angel Hotel, on Angel Hill is adjacent to the Cathedral.

Draw and Results

There are 7 teams taking part in the eliminator and the draw and the results will take place in the Cathedral.

11.00am Draw, followed by competition ringing commencing at 11.30

3.30pm Said Evensong in the Edmund Chapel of the Cathedral, attendance optional.

5.00pm approx. Results in the Cathedral.