

April 2016



The Newsletter of Felixstowe **Town Council**

Hello from the Mayor of Felixstowe



As my term as Mayor draws to an end this will be my final contribution to the newsletter in that role. There is much happening at the present time - the opening of the Premier Inn (a lovely venue) and the re-opening of the Laydens Community Centre both of

which I attended. The work on the new events area at the Yacht Pond is still to come. There have been some disparaging comments about this proposed area, with a wish list of what might have been included. Unfortunately, cost is the driver - and what we are getting is costing a lot of money. The local Fairtrade Forum hosted a Kenyan tea farmer when he visited Suffolk in March and I hosted a breakfast for him at the Town Hall. He was a lovely man who informed us of all of the benefits that buying Fairtrade has brought to his region. Keep supporting this initiative if you can. A team of volunteers helped me launch Clean for the Queen on 5th March - and we cleared the alleyway behind Highfield Road. It was a disgraceful area when we started - but brilliant when we finished. Thanks to everyone involved. Finally, a full programme of events is coming up in the spring and summer for everyone to enjoy! My thanks to everyone who has supported me during my term as Mayor - particularly my Escort, Peggy Osborne, and as the saying goes "thank you for having me"!

Cllr Doreen Savage
Town Mayor

Mayor's Charity Ball (featuring live music from Tyler Kemp)

Friday 8th April 2016 at 7pm, at Felixstowe Academy, High Street, Walton. Tickets £35 per person.

There are few tickets remaining, and all the money raised by the Mayor's charity fund this year will go to Felixstowe Sea Cadets and Felixstowe Citizens' Advice. For further information and to buy tickets please contact Lorna Monsen on 01394 288193 or email lorna. monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk

Civic Awards

Final call for nominations for the Civic Awards 2016, awarded to individuals who have given their time in voluntary or community service to Felixstowe over the past year. Also, nominations are sought for the HMS Ganges Youth Trophy which is awarded to a young person or group of young people under the age of 21 who have carried out valuable work for the community over the past year. Nomination forms are available from the Town Hall or via email from lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk. Forms should be returned to the Town Hall by 31st March.

Council Grants

If your organisation is considering a project over the next 12 months, you could be eligible for funding. It's a simple process and full details of how to apply can be found on our website at www.felixstowe.gov.uk/councilservices/grants or by calling 01394 282086. The deadline for completed applications to be considered in the first round is 31st May.

Allotments

Allotment plots are now available to rent from the Town Council from as little as £19.50 per year. Contact Sue Faversham on 01394 288191 or email sue.faversham@ felixstowe.gov.uk

Felixstowe in Flower 2016



It's that time of year to think about entering the Felixstowe Flower competition. Entry forms can be collected from the Town Hall or downloaded from website. If you require any further information

would like to sponsor a hanging basket or tub, please contact Sue Faversham on 01394 288191 or email sue.faversham@felixstowe.gov.uk

Clean for the Queen



Saturday 5th On March 2016, the Mayor of Felixstowe, together with a team of Councillors, volunteers and representatives from Felixstowe Sea Cadets, spent the morning

clearing litter from the alley between the Library to Hamilton Road. On the same day, joining hundreds of other teams across the country, ten members of the Felixstowe Landguard Rotary Club and two guests cleaned the beach and adjacent area from the Deben entrance to the steps by Gulpher Road. Well done to everybody who has put the time and effort in to spring clean their local communities!

Commonwealth Day 2016



On 14th March, Felixstowe Town Council joined over 850 other organisations worldwide in raising the Commonwealth flag. The Mayor raised the flag on the prom alongside fellow councillors, Sea Cadets and young representatives of Felixstowe Academy School.





Community Public Access Defibrillator



In the previous edition we said that Felixstowe Town Council recently approved funding for a community public access defibrillator (CPAD) at Felixstowe Library. The device has now been installed and registered with the ambulance service. Thanks to the generosity of Felixstowe Rotary Club the Town Council

is seeking to install two more CPADs along the seafront this spring! The photo shows Felixstowe Town Mayor, Doreen Savage, installing the defibrillator with Jonathan Needle (East of England Ambulance Service) and Felixstowe Library Manager, Steph Merrett.

Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday 11 May at 7pm. The Mayor of Felixstowe will chair the meeting, which all Felixstowe electors are entitled to attend and ask questions or raise issues.

Events in Felixstowe

24th April: Spa Gardens Celebration Event; 24th April: Scouts St. Georges Day Parade; 1st May: Vintage Car Rally; 2nd May: Felixstowe Rotary Club Fun Run.

Details of all these events, and more are available, at www.visitfelixstowe.co.uk or www.facebook.com/visitfelixstowe

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WHEN WE MEET

The Full Council meets at 7.30pm. Feel free to come along. There is a public question time at the start of each meeting so that you can let us know your views on Felixstowe issues.

Forthcoming meetings:

Planning & Environment: 6th April 2016, 9.15am Assets & Services: 6th April 2016, 7.30pm Planning & Environment: 20th April 2016, 9.15am Civic & Community: 20th April 2016, 7.30pm Finance & General Purposes: 27th April 2016, 7.30pm Planning & Environment: 4th May 2016, 9.15am **Annual Council Meeting: 11th May 2016** (following the Annual Town Meeting) (Meetings take place at Felixstowe Town Hall)

WHAT WE DO...

Some services the Town Council provides:

- Allotments Felixstowe in Flower Cemetery Broadway House and Walton Community Hall • Felixstowe Town Hall Lettings • Youth Forum • Civic occasions and Flood Memorial
 - Grant Support to Local Organisations

Some of what we do in partnership:

- Consultation on planning applications
 Libraries
- Highways matters/transport issues Safer neighbourhoods
- Felixstowe Forward Twinning Christmas Lighting
 - Play area/sports facilities

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