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The Newsletter of Felixstowe Town Council

Hello from the Town Mayor



Well here we are, nearing the end of the Mayoral year. Time has flown by and after an eventful March which included my last Town Council meeting, a well attended Psychic Night and all that lovely snow, I still have two final charity events to come (see below).

It has been an amazing year. From a nervous man last May to (still) a nervous man (good nerves), it has been such a privilege to be the figurehead of our great town and it has been an experience like no other.

I have grabbed every opportunity to 'big up' Felixstowe with both hands at every event I have attended, both locally and outside the town. With the fantastic news about our local museum winning the Best Small Visitor Attraction at the recent EADT EDP Norfolk and Suffolk Tourism Awards, and Felixstowe Ferry Golf Club becoming the first winner of England Golf's Championship Venue of the Year Award, our town is getting the plaudits it deserves.

Though we live in challenging times, I am confident we will have more good news stories over the next few years. Will England win the football World Cup? Maybe it is more likely that Felixstowe & Walton Football Club will get promoted... Whatever happens we must remember that we live in a fantastic town with a great community. We mustn't take it for granted and we should all do our bit to keep each other safe, look after our environment, support our local shops and continue to love what is so precious.

Thanks, from the bottom of my heart, to all of you who have sponsored and supported events, given encouraging words, been involved and read this column - showing interest in my journey. Thanks also to my wife, Judy, my children, Felix and Holly, and to Lorna Monsen, who have all been supportive and a towering strength during this Mayoral year.



Cllr Nick Barber Mayor of Felixstowe 2017 - 18

To invite the Mayor to attend a function in Felixstowe, or to ask a question, please contact mayor@felixstowe.gov.uk

Mayor's Charity Events

Thursday 12th April - Cheese and Wine Evening at Felixstowe Museum

Friday 27th April - Mayor's Charity Ball at The Orwell Hotel

For further information/tickets contact Lorna Monsen 01394 288193 or email lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk

Felixstowe in Flower 2018



Calling all gardeners and businesses - now is the time to enter this year's Felixstowe in Flower. All our competitions are free to enter, and you could win a prize! Alternatively, why not sponsor a hanging basket or tub in the town from just £30 for the season? Each basket/tub comes complete with a plaque identifying its sponsor. Entry forms can be collected from the Town Hall or downloaded from our website. If you require any further information or would like to sponsor a hanging basket or tub, please contact Sue Faversham on 01394 288191 or email sue.faversham@felixstowe.gov.uk. This year's launch event will be at the Triangle in the town centre on Saturday 23rd June between 10am and 12pm, where you can pick up some free sunflower plants and seeds!



Annual Town Meeting

This year's Annual Town Meeting will be held at the Felixstowe Academy on Wednesday 9th May at 7pm. The Mayor of Felixstowe, Cllr Nick Barber, will be giving his Annual Report and a cheque to his three charities: FACTS, Level Two Youth Project and Felixstowe & Walton Football Club. The winners of our Civic Awards will be announced during the evening as we celebrate the strength of our community. The meeting is open to the public who are welcome to attend and there will be an open session for public questions. Please join us.

£25,000 in Council grants available for local projects

There are two opportunities in the year to apply for a grant from the Town Council, with **the deadline for the first round being 31st May** (the second round deadline is 30th November). 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, and a list of all the grants awarded last year, can be found on our website at www.felixstowe.gov.uk/council-services/grants, by calling 01394 282086 or email debbie.frost@felixstowe.gov.uk

Centenary of the end of WWI

If you are involved with an organisation that is planning an event or activity to commemorate this year's Centenary of the end of the First World War, we would like to hear from you. A reminder also that there is a fund of over £10,000, established by Felixstowe Town Council and Suffolk Coastal District Council, as a legacy from the 2017 Suffolk Armed Forces Weekend event. It was set up to support military-related charities and not-for-profit organisations with WWI Centenary events or any projects that seek to benefit Armed Forces personnel, their families, veterans and cadet organisations in the Felixstowe and Suffolk Coastal District area. If you are planning a relevant project over the next 12 months, or know of an organisation that could benefit, 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/council-services/grants or by calling 01394 282086.





Weddings at Felixstowe Town Hall

Felixstowe Town Hall is licensed for marriages and civil partnerships and provides an elegant venue, right on the seafront. For further details or to arrange a viewing of the facilities we have available, contact Sue Faversham on 01394 288191 or email sue.faversham@felixstowe.gov.uk

Volunteering in Felixstowe

Many of our local clubs, groups and organisations are looking for volunteers, so if you have time and are willing to help out, contact the Town Council and find out how you could get involved.



Grow Your Own for 2018

There are a few vacancies remaining on a couple of our allotment sites which are available to rent from as little as £21 for a whole year. Contact Sue Faversham on 01394 288191 or email sue.faversham@ felixstowe.gov.uk for details.

EVENTS

Classic Vehicle Run - Sunday 6th May Rotary Fun Run - Monday 7th May

Trip to Wesel: 4 nights from 28th June 2018 from £379 pp

Take a trip with Fred Olsen Travel to our twin-town of Wesel, Germany. Call 01394 270456 for details.

A full list of events is available at www.visitfelixstowe.co.uk or www.facebook.com/visitfelixstowe

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WHEN WE MEET

Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees are held at Felixstowe Town Hall and are open to the public - feel free to come along. There is a public session at the start of each meeting so that you can ask questions on Felixstowe related matters.

Forthcoming meetings:

Assets & Services: 4th April 2018, 7.30pm Planning & Environment: 11th April 2018, 9.15am Civic & Community: 18th April 2018, 7.30pm Planning & Environment: 25th April 2018, 9.15am Planning & Environment: 9th May 2018, 9.15am Annual Town Meeting: 9th May 2018, 7pm (Felixstowe Academy) Annual Council Meeting: 16th May 2018, 7pm

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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We want to hear your views...

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