



December
2018

NEWS UPDATE

The
Newsletter
of Felixstowe
Town Council

Christmas Wishes from the Town Mayor



When you look back over 2018, it will surely be remembered as a momentous year for Felixstowe. We enjoyed one of the longest summer seasons I can remember for many years, blessed with record high temperatures, successive dry days and glorious sunshine. More recently we have commemorated 100 years

since the signing of the Armistice and the cessation of hostilities in World War 1. I believe the latter was particularly significant for the town, given our proximity to the sea and mainland Europe, and our special relationship with the Armed Forces - our former Royal Naval Air Station being strategically important at the time of the creation of the Royal Air Force on 1 January 1918.

Thus, Remembrance was commemorated in numerous activities throughout the town, culminating in what must have been our best attended service at the War Memorial in recent years, and the evening's moving Beacon Lighting ceremony - a tribute to the 163 Felixstowe men who were lost to the Great War.

The Town Council played a significant role in pulling the major civic events together and producing a commemorative programme, for which I thank our staff, the Royal British Legion, local clergy, our schools, and many other official and voluntary organisations throughout the town.

On behalf of all your Town Councillors, and the staff of both the Town Hall and the Cemetery, I would like to wish you and your families a joyous Christmas and a successful and healthy New Year.

Best wishes,

Cllr Graham Newman
Mayor of Felixstowe 2018-19

If you would like the Mayor to attend a function, or to simply ask him a question, contact mayor@felixstowe.gov.uk

Mayor's Charity Events

Monday 4 February 2019

Mayor's Charity Curry Night at Bombay Nite Indian Restaurant.

Friday 22 March 2019

Mayor's Charity Ball at The Orwell Hotel.

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

Felixstowe Remembers

The Town Council and Felixstowe Branch of the Royal British Legion would like to thank everybody who took part, volunteered and attended Remembrance events this year. In particular, Darren Aitchison who coordinated all the volunteers who represented the 163 people lost to Felixstowe as a result of the First World War, creating a special moment for the town on the evening of Sunday 11 November 2018, 100 years after the war ended.



Image supplied by Alan Boyle

Volunteer with Timebank

Do you have an hour spare to volunteer? Do you need someone to help you for an hour in return? Are you new to volunteering?

Timebanking encourages individuals, businesses and organisations to volunteer their time to build a more supportive community. Each hour that is given to the community is rewarded with a time credit that is stored in the Timebank that can be exchanged for a service you require for you, your family, business or organisation. No money is involved, only time as a community asset. If you can offer a talent, hobby, professional skill or just time to support another person please contact Jan McGuire, Felixstowe Timebank Coordinator, felixtimebanking@eastsoffolk.gov.uk



Civic Awards 2018

The Town Council is welcoming nominations for a Mayor's Award, of which five are presented annually to individuals who have given their time to voluntary or community service in Felixstowe over the past year. To nominate a local hero or to find out more, see www.felixstowe.gov.uk/civic-awards

Christmas on Ice



From Thursday 20 to Sunday 23 December, from 11am - 7pm, the Town Council is adding to the festive fun by bringing back the synthetic ice rink outside the

East of England Co-op at Great Eastern Square again this year. Come along to the opening by the Mayor at 11am on Thursday 20 December. Low-cost rides for smaller children and refreshments will also be available. Thanks to sponsorship from the East of England Co-op, residents and visitors will be able to skate for FREE! Skates are provided too so you only need to turn up to have a go. Being here for four days means everybody will get a chance to skate, but your time on the rink may be limited if it gets particularly busy.

Grow Your Own in 2019

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

EVENTS

This Christmas we have a series of great events including:



The Official Christmas Lights Switch-On and Craft Market

Saturday 1 December 2018 from 10am - 6pm. This fantastic event is organised by Felixstowe Lions Club and supported by Felixstowe Town Council. The Lights will be switched on by the Mayor of Felixstowe from the event stage at the Triangle, Hamilton Road, Felixstowe. Santa's Grotto, carol singing and live entertainment takes place throughout the afternoon. The Children's Candlelight Parade starts at 4.30pm and leads up to the Christmas lights switch-on at 5pm. Admission is free.

Santa and Rudolph Visit Felixstowe

Santa and Rudolph visit Felixstowe and tour the town's streets and homes in their sleigh every weekday evening in December between 6pm - 8.30pm. This is jointly arranged between the local branch of Save the Children and the Felixstowe Rotary Club, and aims to give all families a great Christmas experience as well as raising money for Save the Children and Rotary supported charities. For the programme see www.felixstowerotaryclub.org/santa-and-rudolph

To see all the events planned for December and beyond please visit www.visitfelixstowe.org.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:

Planning & Environment: 5 December 2018, 9.15am
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Civic & Community: 19 December 2018, 7.30pm
Full Council: 9 January 2019, 7.30pm
Planning & Environment: 16 January 2019, 9.15am
Finance & General Purposes: 23 January 2019, 7.30pm
Planning & Environment: 30 January 2019, 9.15am

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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