



## **Council Corner**

**June & July 2017**

### **Town and Parish Council Elections**

The local Town Council Elections took place on 4 May 2017. There has been a bit of change and we welcome three new members; Peter Nidds, Steve Benney and Ken Townend BEM. Their contact details, along with those of the other successfully re-elected members are on the inside cover of this edition of The Pump.

Sadly, the Council says goodbye to Jayne Ninnes, John Bennett, Owen Philp, Robb Lello and John Coombe who stood down due to their many other commitments. Ian Lawrence was not successful on this occasion in his bid to regain his seat on the North Ward. The Council wants to place on record its appreciation to all of those who gladly served and freely gave their time during the last term of the Council.

During the Annual Council meeting on Thursday 18 May 2017 Councillor Nick Farrar was successfully confirmed as Hayle Town Mayor and Councillor Clive Polkinghorne as Hayle Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming year. Congratulations to both!

Insufficient candidates stood in the South Ward and therefore no election occurred and we were left with three vacancies. By the time this has gone to press we hopefully will have co-opted 3 additional members. We will keep you posted.

### **Mayor's Annual Awards**

One of the Mayor's first duties in this term was to select the winners of the Annual Awards. Presentations to the recipients of the awards took place during the Annual Council meeting on Thursday 18 May 2017 at Hayle Day Care Centre.

The female Citizen of the Year 2017 was awarded to Jenna Fentham, for her tireless energy in volunteering at and supporting so many local events, community buildings, groups and initiatives. Trevor Smitheram was presented with the male Citizen of the Year 2017 shield. He was nominated by many because of his unstinting service to the Hayle Old Cornwall Society, of which he is President, and for volunteering at the Hayle Heritage Centre. Daniel Noall was selected by the Mayor as Young Person of the Year because of the voluntary work he undertakes annually in assisting Hayle Decorative Lights put up the Christmas displays.

Hayle Pilot Gig Club received the Organisation of the Year Award 2017. The Mayor did not hesitate in this selection as the club does so much to encourage people to participate in a traditional Cornish sport but also willingly gets involved and supports local events. Hayle's Youth Organisation of the Year 2017 is Hayle Cricket Club's Youth Section. The Club was chosen because of the opportunities it affords the town's youngsters by providing a safe and encouraging environment to participate in sport locally.

### **Hayle Open Air Swimming Pool**

The Swimming Pool is due to open again on Saturday 24 June 2017 and will be open daily from 11am to 6pm, weather permitting, until Sunday 10 September 2017. We can confirm that entrance prices have not been increased for the fifth year in a row and once again season tickets will be available to purchase. These may all be purchased at the pool. Please note that a small passport photo is required for season tickets.

We are also pleased to be able to confirm that the Town Council is continuing free entry to the pool on Tuesdays for all residents of Hayle and/or the TR27 postal code area. However, the process will now be more tightly regulated. Free Tuesday Swim Passes may be obtained from the Clerk's office (not the pool) upon proof of residence or ID (birth certificate, passport etc) for children and a small passport size photograph will be required for each pass. These will be available from the office from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June.

In the meantime, there is much hard work being undertaken, mostly by a team of volunteers. Members of Friends of Hayle Pool are once again giving up their time to prepare the pool for the season. If you would like to get involved feel free to come and join the merry team every Saturday throughout June, from 10am. Thanks ever so much.

### **The Millpond**

Several sites came back to the town council during the spring and summer of 2016, including the Millponds (not including the play area, which remains the responsibility of Cornwall Council). In preparation for the responsibility of managing this site being returned to us, we have built up a dedicated fund which now stands at £5000. This money will be used to commission a comprehensive report on the management of the Millponds. This will include input from various experts and agencies such as Natural England and the Environment Agency.

### **Website**

We are very pleased to announce that the new look website is now up and running. Please have a look. We are grateful to Blumin, a Hayle based company, for its services and support.

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