

# **Council Corner**

# April and May 2018

# **Council Vacancy**

We still have a councillor vacancy for Hayle North. More information is on the council's website. If you would like to get involved and take an active role in shaping the future of Hayle please contact the clerk, details below, to have an informal chat to find out what is involved.

### **Electoral Boundary Changes**

Changes to the electoral boundaries for Cornwall Councillors will be in place from 2021.

The Local Government Boundary Commission has been undertaking a review of the divisional boundaries for Cornwall Council and has decided that there should be 87 Cornwall Councillors from 2021. Nothing will change until then, but discussions by Cornwall Council and town and parish councils about how they would like to see the boundaries change have taken place over the last six months. Cornwall Council has decided to recommend that there should be two councillors to represent Hayle and Gwinear-Gwithian.

Hayle Town Council has put forward a suggestion that there should be two divisions, one based on the existing Hayle South linked with Gwinear and the other the existing Hayle North linked with Gwithian. This matches the two wards (now called divisions) of Hayle Town Council with the two wards of Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council. Hayle Town Council has suggested that the demarcation should follow the railway line and the A30 to clearly define the divisions. Unfortunately, this was not accepted by Cornwall Council, who instead proposed that the division should be through Ventonleague, splitting Hayle in a most illogical and unsatisfactory way but not affecting any part of Gwinear-Gwithian.

The Boundary Commission will now look at both proposals and come back for consultation on its preferred option which could be entirely different; it is expected that this will be in June 2018. The town council will have a few weeks to respond and may well seek public support for what it believes is the better option for everyone.

## Neighbourhood Plan

The Inspector's final report on the Neighbourhood Plan has just been received and no substantive changes have been made. There will be a referendum in the next month or two to decide whether or not the plan is adopted. Please look out for leaflets and information that will be coming through your letterbox confirming the arrangements. Hayle Town Council encourages you to vote!

#### **Diary Dates**

The Annual Electors Meeting will be taking place on the evening of Thursday 19 April 2018. This is when the mayor presents the annual report which summarizes the council's activities during the previous 12 months. This is not a formal council meeting and local residents are encouraged to attend and have the opportunity to put questions to councillors.

The Mayor Choosing and Annual Council Meeting will take place on the evening of Thursday 10 May 2018 at Hayle Day Care Centre. During the course of this meeting awards will be presented to the Citizens and Organisations of the Year.

## Annual Citizens and Organizations of the Year

Nomination packs are now available from the town council office and on the website for the Citizens and Organization of the Year Awards. The council is also seeking nominations for

Hayle Young Person of the Year and Hayle Youth Organization of the Year. The deadline for all nominations is Wednesday 18 April 2018.

#### Hayle in Bloom

Following the success of last year's South West in Bloom awards, Hayle has now been entered into the Champion of Champions competition. To showcase Hayle at its best and to be successful at this elite level greater input is needed from existing and new Hayle in Bloom volunteers. The council is pleased to continue its support and encourages all residents to get involved by taking pride in their homes, gardens and surrounding areas: simple things like picking up that one piece of litter or planting up that one pot may make all the difference. If you want to volunteer with Hayle in Bloom please do not hesitate to call Nigel Powell on 01736 752169 or 07895 601978.

#### Town Guide

We have copies of the most current Town Guide available at the town council office for collection during office hours. To arrange collection/delivery for larger quantities, please contact the office.

Hayle Town Council Hayle Community Centre 58 Queensway Hayle TR27 4NX 01736 755005 townclerk@hayletowncouncil.net www.hayletowncouncil.net Office hours 9.30am – 12.30pm