

# **Council Corner**

#### February and March 2019

## **Council Vacancy**

Unfortunately, one of our councillors has resigned and we now have a councillor vacancy for Hayle North ward. 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.

#### 2019/2020 Precept Demand

Hayle Town Council's Precept will increase this year by 12.01%, which equates to a £15.38 increase per Band D property compared to last year. The final Precept for 2019/20 is £492,582. Hayle Town Council has set a budget to meet the needs of the community. Prudent budgeting over the last few years has allowed the town council to use the precept funding to continue to provide many services via the devolution process, such as public realm CCTV, public conveniences, footpaths maintenance and management of all open spaces, including Hayle Recreation Ground and King George V Memorial Walk. Due to the careful management of its finances the town council is now prepared to take on the responsibility of running the library and information service, from Cornwall Council, as of 1 April 2019, a service which might otherwise have been lost to the town. Additionally the town council continues to work with and support a number of groups and organizations in the town annually, including Hayle Day Care Centre, Hayle in Bloom, Hayle Decorative Lights and it also contributes to the work of the Towans Ranger.

#### **Library Service Devolution**

Discussions with Cornwall Council regarding taking on the library building and sustaining the library and information service in Hayle are continuing and now progressing at speed. We are aiming to operate these services from April 2019.

#### **Annual Citizens and Organizations of the Year**

Nomination packs will soon be available from the town clerk's office 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 17 April 2019.

#### **Small Grants Available**

Hayle Town Council annually awards capital grants to local clubs and organizations. If your group is in need of new equipment/kit or requires funds to secure other sources of funding for larger projects, please contact the town council office for an application form. The council's Resource Committee considers grants quarterly; the next meeting is scheduled for 25 April 2019. For consideration at that meeting please submit your completed application form by 18 April 2019.

## **Website and Town Events**

If you know of or are involved with organising an event that will benefit the local community and/or charity, let us help you publicise it on the town council's website on our 'What's On' page. Please send us all the relevant details – date, time, location, cost/contribution (if any) and contact details that can be made public. If you have any photographs (jpg files please) and/or links to relevant websites please include them too.

And don't forget, if you want to hire the Recreation Ground or King George V Memorial Walk for your community events please submit a booking form to the town council office. Booking form and terms and conditions are available on the website or from the office.

#### **Hayle Community Centre**

Space is available for regular sessions or one off bookings. Remember that Adult Education and others hold regular sessions. Many people also use the facility to host parties! Contact the town clerk for details of services and available space.

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