



Council Corner

June & July 2021

Town and Parish Council Elections

The local Town Council Elections took place on 6 May 2021. There has been a bit of change and we welcome two new members, Emily Brown and Marcus Hayward. Their contact details, along with those of the other successfully re-elected members, Steve Benney, Brian Capper, Graham Coad, June Lawrenson-Reid, John Pollard and Anne-Marie Rance, are available on the parish noticeboards and the town council website.

Sadly, the Council says goodbye to Clive Polkinghorne, David Bradshaw, David Cocks, Josh Daniel, Sophie Johnson, Bob Mims, Peter Nidds and Andrew Roden who stood down due to their many other commitments. 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.

Unfortunately, insufficient candidates stood to force an election in both the new wards and the council now has seven vacancies, which puts an extra burden on those currently serving who have all volunteered to take on additional work temporarily. As a direct consequence of only currently having eight elected members the town council has lost its ability to adopt and use the General Power of Competence, which may limit future activities. We are working on a strategy to try to attract and recruit new people to fill those gaps and ensure the council represents all its community. We will keep you posted, and details will be published soon... watch this space!

New Mayor and Deputy Mayor

During the Annual Council meeting on Thursday 20 May 2021 Councillor Steve Benney was successfully confirmed as Hayle Town Mayor and Councillor Anne-Marie Rance as Hayle Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming year. Congratulations to both!

Temporary Meeting Arrangements

In line with recent legislation, town council meetings can no longer be held online or remotely and councillors, officers, guest speakers and members of the public, when possible, are expected to attend a physical meeting. Temporarily meetings will be taking place in the hall at Hayle Academy and numbers will be limited, so we ask that you book a seat prior to the meeting if you wish to attend. All attendees will be asked to wear masks, respect social distancing, bring their own pens, notepads, laptops etc. Refreshments will not be available.

These plans are temporary and may change in line with the government's roadmap and current guidance. All details, including the venue, date, times and how to book a seat, will be included on the agenda for all meetings which are generally published at five or six days ahead of a meeting on the town council website, Facebook pages and the parish noticeboards.

Hayle Open Air Swimming Pool

The Swimming Pool is due to open again on Saturday 29 May 2021 and will remain open for the half term holiday and then will be re-open on 19 June 2021, and weather and Covid - 19 permitting will remain open until Sunday 26 September 2021.

Due to the pandemic, the pool will operate on a similar basis as last year. Tickets can be booked online on the town council website and, if there is space, available tickets can be paid for by card (no cash) at the gate at the start of each session. There will be three sessions per day and

numbers will be limited, at least initially, in line with government guidelines. We ask that swimmers come swim ready as initially the changing room and showers will not be available. Due to the way we are having to operate, and the need to be ready to adapt plans, there will be no season tickets or residents tickets this year. To mitigate tickets are priced at £3, as last year. Keep an eye on the pool's Facebook page and the town council website for updates. We hope you enjoy the season.

New CCTV Camera for Penpol Avenue

We are pleased to advise that an additional CCTV camera has recently been installed in Penpol Avenue. The camera is linked to town's CCTV network, records 24 hours a day and is proactively monitored by Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service during core and peak periods.

It was agreed that the camera was needed in this area to directly address some of the ongoing anti-social behaviour that occurs in Ellis Park. The town council has proactively worked with Cornwall Council, who own and manage the park, and the local Neighbourhood Police Team to try to reduce the instances of the behaviour and vandalism in this area. The camera was funded in part by the Police Commissioner, Alison Hernandez, and the then Cornwall Council Ward Member Cllr Graham Coad, by way of successful grant applications to their respective community project pots and the remainder of the installation fees were covered by the town council. Thanks to both.

We are hopeful that this camera, like the others in the town, will act as a deterrent to those that cause damage and misbehave, as well as provide evidence or catch those that carry out illegal and/or dangerous activity. We are also hoping that this in turn will improve the quality of the lives of residents in that area.

G7 Summit and Tour of Britain

The G7 Summit is taking place on 10-13 June 2021 inclusive, and the Tour of Britain will be passing through Hayle on Sunday 5 September 2021, although there will be other races and events around this date.

The town council is actively engaging with the lead authorities to ensure that a) Hayle is showcased in the best light possible when these events occur and b) we are fully aware of any issues that may directly impact the running of our town, so that we in turn can communicate with you.

We are aware that there will be a great deal of media attention on Hayle and the surrounding areas and we are doing our utmost to make sure the town looks at its best. The council's small but busy maintenance team and Hayle in Bloom, all volunteers, are busy in their preparations trying to make the town look as appealing as possible which will undoubtedly be of benefit to and enjoyed by residents, visitors and local businesses alike. We are grateful to everyone that has volunteered their time and got stuck in.

We are working on a plan for the Tour of Britain, including some events and town displays, and if you have any positive ideas and/or want to get involved please do get in touch with us. We will be making announcements and contacting schools and community groups in the coming weeks.

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