

Crewkerne Town Council

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CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

At the local elections held on 2 May, seven Councillors were re-elected. These were:



Charles
Aslett



Mike
Best



Kathy
Head



Ben
Hodgson



Robin
Pailthorpe



Andrea
Stuart



Dan
Wakeman

They are joined by five new Councillors



Rob
Cottle



Ben
Hartshorn



Jo
Roundell
Greene



Alan
Smith



Anthony
Vaughan



At the Annual Meeting of the Town Council on 13 May, Cllr. Kathy Head was elected as Mayor for a second year, with Robin Pailthorpe once again elected as Deputy Mayor.

HONOURED CITIZENS 2019

At the Annual Town Meeting of Electors held on 15 April, the Mayor presented Honoured Citizenship Awards to:



Mr Richard Hall



Mr Norman (Tim) Udall

Presentation of Grants 2019/20

At the Annual Town Meeting of Electors, the Mayor, Cllr. Mrs Kathy Head presented cheques totalling £7,446 to the following organisations:

- Crewkerne & District Museum & Heritage Centre
- Crewkerne Bowling Club (West Street)
- Crewkerne Gardening Club
- Crewkerne in Bloom
- Crewkerne Men's Shed
- Crewkerne Ranger Guide Unit
- Crewkerne Sports and Youth Activities Ltd.
- Crewkerne Tea Dance Group
- CUDOS
- Henhayes Community Centre
- Rotary Club of Crewkerne District
- Severalls Jubilee Bowls Club
- The Speedwell
- Twinning Association

Mayor's Commendation for Excellence in the Community

Mr David Craner was presented with the Mayor's Commendation Award at the Annual Town Meeting of Electors



The award was given in recognition of his dedicated service to the community of Crewkerne, as the Town Crier for Crewkerne for the last 12 years.

Crewkerne Junior Triathlon



Sunday 7 July sees the 20th Anniversary of Crewkerne Junior Triathlon. Thanks to the generous support of Crewkerne Aquacentre, the Town Council, the Rotary Club, The Menders and many other local volunteers, some 2000 young people aged 8 to 15 have taken part in the Triathlon since it started. This fun event all takes place at the Aqua Centre and on the Henhayes field. There are t-shirts and medals for all competitors, with trophies for both the overall and local winners in each of the four age groups.

Pick up an entry form from the Town Hall, Crewkerne Aqua Centre or download one from www.aboutcrewkerne.co.uk

Food Festival



Eat:Festivals are coming to Crewkerne Saturday 20 July

Eat is an award-winning food and drink festival organised by people who are passionate about food and drink and where it originates. We are delighted to bring an Eat:Festival to Crewkerne on Saturday 20 July 2019.



It will be a fantastic free day out for all the family, celebrating local producers and their products, most from within a 25-mile radius of Crewkerne. There will also be a demonstration stage, cook school and free family entertainment and competitions. The stalls will be in Falkland Square, outside the Town Hall and near the Henhayes Centre. Look for signs to the demo stage and cookery school. Well behaved dogs are welcome.



Crewkerne Town Council would like to thank South Somerset District Council, One Stop Carriers for Courses, Big Lottery and Awards for All for their generous help in bringing the festival to Crewkerne.

Please join us on Saturday 20 July and put Crewkerne firmly on the Eat:Festival map.

South West in Bloom Competition

The Crewkerne in Bloom community group are a familiar sight around town and are doing a splendid job in bringing colour to our town centre. This year, the group have entered the town into the prestigious South West in Bloom competition. One of the competition judges has already visited the town and said; *"The aim of the communities that take part each year is to improve and regenerate our local environments, through the imaginative planting of trees, shrubs, flowers and landscaping, conservation and recycling projects, and to sweep away the eyesores that blight our streets, such as litter, graffiti and vandalism."*

This is our opportunity to show off Crewkerne at its best and the Town Council will be supporting the efforts of the Crewkerne in Bloom group in ensuring that the town is looking as good as it can be for the judging day (and hopefully beyond!), which is on **Friday 12 July**. The Crewkerne in Bloom group are looking for more volunteers to help with weeding, planting, watering etc. Please contact them at crewkerneinbloom@uwclub.net.



In conjunction with the South West in Bloom entry, the group are organising a competition for a hanging basket, window box or front garden, to be judged on Thursday 18 July, with prizes kindly donated by Brimsmore Garden Centre. There will also be a shop window competition, to be judged on Thursday 11 July, so keep an eye out for some interesting window displays.



Bincombe Beeches Parking



Visitors to Bincombe Beeches who enter via the Beechwood Drive entrance will have noticed that the

parking spaces at this entrance have now been designated specifically for disabled users. This action has been taken not only to facilitate disabled access to the nature reserve, but also in recognition of a commitment made by the Council a number of years ago to the residents of Beechwood Drive. Able-bodied visitors to Bincombe can, of course, park on the roadside of Beechwood Drive or alternatively access the area at the other access points of Bincombe Lane, Clammer Hill Lane, Ashlands Road and Brickyard Lane.



Crewkerne Community Recycling Site

Opening Times

- **Monday:** 9 am – 6 pm
(5 pm from October to end March)
- **Tuesday to Friday** - Closed
- **Saturday and Sunday:** 9 am – 4 pm

SPEAK TO YOUR COUNCILLOR

Forthcoming Town Council Surgeries in the Community Office at the Town Hall, Market Square from 10.30 am to 12 noon.

Saturday 15 June and Saturday 20 July

Opportunity for informal conversations with District and Town Councillors

Annual Open Day at Townsend Cemetery Sunday 8 September: 1 - 4 pm



The historic burial registers will be available for visitors who wish to undertake family history research. At 2.30 pm, there will be talks from the Clerk and from Tracey Warren, a local funeral director, who will also give a guided tour of some of the notable graves in the cemetery.

Bincombe Beeches Volunteer Dates

Regular monthly volunteer days are run on Bincombe Beeches by the Council's Grounds and Amenities Supervisor. Forthcoming volunteer days:-

Thursday 20 June

Thursday 18 July

Everyone welcome, just turn up from 10 am onwards, please meet at the entrance by Beechwood Drive

If you have any comments or concerns about issues which affect Crewkerne, please contact:

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