



TOWN CLERKS' REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 77/19

9 SEPTEMBER 2019

The purpose of this paper is to record developments since the last meeting not requiring an Agenda item at this meeting.

No. DETAILS

1) SOUTH WIGHT PARISHES HEALTH AND WELLBEING FORUM

- a) The Forum, organised by the Town Council, brings together representatives from the 13 Town and Parish Councils in the South Wight Locality held its latest meeting last Thursday.
 - b) It was held at Chillerton Village Hall with guest speakers Nicola Longson from IoW NHS Trust talking about Community Services and Sue Godden from the Good Grief Trust.
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2) DIABETIC EYE SCREENING SERVICE

- a) The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Diabetic Eye Screening Programme will hold quarterly sessions in our Green Room starting in November. The sessions have had to move from the Ventnor Medical Centre due to its expansion of services following its amalgamation.
 - b) The Programme's Ventnor clients were originally redirected to Sandown's Broadway Centre but were unhappy at the distance and requested a search for a Ventnor venue. We're delighted to be able to provide a suitable space.
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3) SALISBURY GARDENS

- a) The Green Room spaces have been redecorated and both front doors repainted.
 - b) The Health Visitors (sadly) moved out of Room 7 on Tuesday and the NHS agreed to pay a total of £340 for a repainting of the walls and cleaning the carpet. Their lease ended on 31 August.
 - c) The tenant of Room 12 moved into the vacated Room 7 and the tenant of Room 17 has moved into Room 12 and has contact with a prospective tenant who would like to rent Room 17 so, hopefully, in the very near future Salisbury Gardens will be back to full capacity.
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4) BABY BOX

- a) From 11am-1pm each Friday Baby Box operates from Ventnor Central (the old Youth Club) in Victoria Street offering a wide selection of the things parents need for their babies and young children.
 - b) Set up by a group of local parents and supported by the Town Council it provides a vital source of support particularly for the many low income families in the town.
 - c) Now David George's Utility Films has produced an excellent 3-minute video of their work that is available online at <https://vimeo.com/353978930>.
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5) ATELIER PORTACABIN, BONIFACE FIELDS

To clear the badly blocked guttering at the portacabin, a cherry picker was hired last week. Jim Toogood and Brian Roberts attended site and the work has been successfully completed.

6) WORKING GROUPS

- a) The Assets & Services Working Group met on 27 August with the next meeting planned for 10 September.
 - b) The Community Development Working Group's next meeting is planned for 10 September.
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