



TOWN CLERKS' REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 91/17

13 OCTOBER 2017

The purpose of this paper is to record developments in the past month not requiring an Agenda item at this meeting.

No. DETAILS

1) SALISBURY GARDENS

- a) One of our Salisbury Gardens' Offices became vacant on 30 September; the vacancy was filled on 6 November.
 - b) There are no other vacancies at this time as the building remains a popular place to do business.
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2) QUALIFICATION

- a) We're delighted that our Admin Support Officer Morgan Williams learned last week that he had passed his Level 3 Diploma in Business Administration. He now moves onto a permanent post with us with an appropriate salary adjustment.
 - b) Morgan is the second Apprentice the Town Council has taken on, his predecessor Florence Barret also achieved the same qualification and is now employed in administration at Southampton University.
 - c) We're grateful to HTP's Becci for quality tuition and support for both.
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3) SEASONAL SERVICES SUCCESSFUL

- a) Our three seasonal services – Beach Cleaning, Beach Safety and Paddling Pool – have all been successfully delivered again this year.
 - b) The Beach Safety Project is reported elsewhere on the Agenda of this meeting.
 - c) We're grateful to Merv Ringer and Mick Wade for yet another year of maintaining the high standards of our Paddling Pool with its requirement for daily emptying, cleaning and refilling.
 - d) Wendy Marshall, supported by her partner Don Remnant as a volunteer, and working with Ace Waste have again ensured very high cleanliness standards on our beaches on a daily basis.
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4) UPPER VENTNOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

- a) The latest in the series of meetings for the Mayor and me with the members of the Community Association's Committee took place on Monday 23 October.
 - b) They were pleased with the restored 'Welcome to Ventnor' sign on Wroxall Road that the Town Council had provided and told us that while the morning traffic following the opening of the new Free School building was acceptable there remained significant problems in exit from schools in the afternoon.
 - c) They also reminded us that the promised footpath route round the back of the school was still not in place.
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5) SOUTH WIGHT PARISHES HEALTH & WELLBEING FORUM

- a) This Forum brings together representatives from the Town & Parish Councils in the My Life a Full Life Programme's South Locality to discuss with the Programme's senior staff developments in their work and the implications for local residents.
 - b) It meets every six weeks around the area: this time, 17 October, at Chale Village Hall. Tony McCarthy is the Forum's lead officer and the Mayor Chairs the meetings.
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- c) The Guest Speakers this time were Sue Morris from the Children's and Adolescents Mental Health Services (CAMHS) and Maggie Bennet from the Alzheimer's Society & Safe Places Project.
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6) MEDINA VALLEY STUDENTS' VISIT

The Mayor's latest meeting with mainland sixth form students on courses at the excellent Medina Valley Centre to discuss potential regeneration of Ventnor following their time spent visiting the town took place at Salisbury Gardens on Wednesday 8 November.

7) WORKING GROUPS

- e) The Community Development Working Group met on Thursday evening, 19 October
 - f) The Assets & Services Working Group met on 10 October and 7 November.
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