



# TOWN CLERKS' REPORT

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 31/17

10 APRIL 2017

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

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**No. DETAILS**

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**1) MAINTENANCE MANAGER**

We're delighted that our new Maintenance Manager, Brian Roberts, joined us on Monday 27 March and is already fully engaged with the range of responsibilities that come with the post.

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**2) LIBRARY SIGNAGE & OPEN DAY**

- a) The new sign *The Ventnor Library* is now in place reflecting the successful partnership basis on which the service now operates.
  - b) The Friends of Ventnor Library have taken the lead in planning the Library's Open Day that takes place on Tuesday 18 April.
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**3) REGENERATION (A)**

- a) Our second meeting – the first was six weeks earlier – with the Isle of Wight Council's recently appointed Director of Regeneration Chris Ashman was on 27 March.
  - b) Chris joined the Mayor, Nick Cox, Town McCarthy and me at our office to explore Ventnor's involvement in the extensive programme of regeneration projects he and his Deputy are responsible for implementing.
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**4) REGENERATION (B)**

The Mayor had three sessions, each with a dozen 'A' Level Geography students from Godalming studying regeneration during their stay at the Medina Valley Centre.

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**5) MY LIFE A FULL LIFE**

- a) Tony McCarthy and I attended the second meeting of the lead Town Councils in each of the three Localities on 29 March along with Freshwater Parish Council's Clerk Mike Mills and Gill Kennett. Ryde are currently recruiting an officer to lead for their role in the North & East Locality.
  - b) The Mayor and Tony McCarthy led the latest of the 6-weekly meetings of the Health and Wellbeing representatives from the South Locality's Town and Parish Councils on 30 March, this time at Shorwell.
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**6) WORKING GROUPS**

- a) The Community Development Working Group met on the 15 and 29 March and will meet again on 20 April.
  - b) The Public Buildings Working Group met on 28 March and will meet next on 18 April.
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