



TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 30/23

22 MAY 2023

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

No. DETAILS

1) BONCHURCH CELEBRATION

- a) The Bonchurch Community Association held their Coronation picnic on Sunday 7 May and they found the only sunshine of the weekend.
 - b) Two hundred residents attended and were entertained by local musicians in a very relaxed atmosphere, raising their glasses to the new King and Queen
-

2) CORONATION MUGS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

- a) Ventnor Town Council and The Ventnor Royal British Legion Social Club joined forces to make sure Ventnor's children aged 11 and under had a memento of the Coronation.
 - b) A specially commissioned Coronation mug to mark the special event was delivered to each child by visits to local School St Francis, Ventnor Community Early Years and The Playroom Nursery and Pre School by The Mayor Steph Toogood, Councillor Steve Cooper, and a representative from the RBL Social Club.
 - c) Over 300 mugs were distributed during the week.
-

3) THE ULTRA CHALLENGE AT SALISBURY GARDENS

- a) Ventnor's own Town Council's Salisbury Gardens and Green Room was the chosen venue by the organisers of the Isle of Wight Ultra Challenge over the weekend for one of their Medical and first aid teams, rest and hospitality stops on this mammoth 106km trip around the Island.
 - b) The top runners were first to arrive at Ventnor, completing the whole course in around the 9-12 hr mark. The slower more sedate walkers, runners and joggers were spread out across the two days.
 - c) Our facilities were open for the entire period providing a safe and secure area for the events team and their first aiders.
-

4) VACANCY IN VENTNOR WEST

- a) The resignation of Councillor James Toogood from the Town Council has created a vacancy for a Member to represent Ventnor West.
 - b) The Isle of Wight Council's Proper Officer has been informed and will provide guidance on the issue of related notices shortly.
-

5) WORKING GROUPS

- a) The Sustainability & Biodiversity Working Group met on 18 April and plans to meet next on 30 May.
 - b) The Assets & Services Working Group met on the 25 April.
 - c) The Community Development Working Group met on 20 April.
-