

# PROGRESS

Littlehampton Town Council's Newsletter



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# ? WHICH COUNCIL DOES WHAT?

Confused by the 3 tiers of local government providing services in Littlehampton? Here is a guide to each Council's responsibilities



Museum



Allotments



Youth Services



Grants



Street Scene & Graffiti Removal



Rosemead Park



Venues for Hire



Southfields Community Centre

[littlehampton-tc.gov.uk](http://littlehampton-tc.gov.uk) 01903 732063



Housing



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Council Tax



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[arun.gov.uk](http://arun.gov.uk) 01903 737500



Births, Marriages & Deaths



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**Vaccines are our best protection this winter.**

It's easy for us to pass on COVID-19 or flu viruses without knowing. This winter there are two essential vaccines you'll need to protect yourself and your loved ones.

Find out if you're eligible now at [nhs.uk/wintervaccinations](http://nhs.uk/wintervaccinations)



# Mayor's Message



What a whirlwind of a Summer!

A quick blink and it was over, but then

they do say that time flies when you're having fun.

Our town has had plenty to keep us entertained over the last few months. It was lovely to see Pier Road being enjoyed by so many residents and visitors - the live entertainment was a big hit. Paired with the Love Local events on the High Street and the ever-colourful team LOCA bringing a splash of creativity, the town really did have a buzz about it.

The Town Show and Family Fun Day was a great success and it was nice to see so many charities and organisations getting involved. I mustn't forget to mention the stunning floral displays which were on show. The time and care put into all of the entries is immense and I commend all who entered.

As we step into Autumn and head towards Christmas I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, and I look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Lights Switch On. Please try to shop local for those unique and special gifts if you can.

Enjoy the festivities and have a safe and prosperous New Year.

**Councillor Michelle Molloy, Town Mayor**

## Contact the Mayor

✉ [mayor@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk](mailto:mayor@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk)  
f [littlehamptonmayor](https://www.facebook.com/littlehamptonmayor)

## Coronavirus

Visit our website for details of organisations able to assist you and your family during the COVID-19 pandemic.

🏠 [www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/coronavirus)

# The Mayor's SHOUT-OUT Andy's Man Club



#ITSOKAYTALK

Andy's Man Club in Littlehampton has recently set up a drop in. The new men-only club is there to encourage men to talk to each other; to find companionship in times of loneliness and need, without the pressure of having to talk about anything too heavy.

Littlehampton founders James and Mike started the support group for men aged over 18 to have a dedicated safe place to talk. We all know that talking and listening is one of the most effective ways to help combat depression, so if you feel like you could do with a chat for any reason, please do pop along and see them. The club meets at Dove Lodge every Monday, 7-9pm, excluding bank holidays. It is free to attend and no booking is required.



For more information visit

f @AMCLhampton

**Sign up for eProgress** to receive news that matter to you including updates on local roadworks such as the new Fitzalan Road link.

New subscribers will have the option to enter a prize draw which will see a lucky **winner receive £150 before Christmas**. Entry is free and open to Littlehampton residents aged 18 or over.

**LAST CHANCE** Closing date 1st December 2021.



[www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/progress-newsletter](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/progress-newsletter)

or scan me



# Growing Space for Growing Youngsters



Young Leaders Ester, Ryan and Taylor with Youth Service Manager, Emma Biffi

Arun Youth Projects (AYP) continues to expand youth services in Littlehampton with an exciting new initiative in partnership with the Town Council.

An allotment plot has been given to AYP to provide an alternative setting for them to come together, learn new skills and promote good physical and mental health.

Speaking to Progress, Youth Service Manager, Emma Biffi, said: "The overall objective is for the allotment project to become an inclusive community project in partnership with the Town Council. The project will become an integral part of the AYP mentoring offer to promote social interaction and active lifestyles. It will help meet the needs of young people in the community in relation to their social, emotional, and mental health, both as part of an identified need prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, but with a bigger urgency due to the increasing crises that we are seeing young people encounter for the first time."

**i** For more information visit  
**f** @arunyouthprojects

# New Youth Centre Community Engagement



The Town Council and Arun District Council are preparing to replace the existing Keystone Centre in Wick's Eldon Way with a brand-new youth centre, and they want YOUR views on the masterplan that has been developed for the community facilities.

The initial public survey, conducted in 2019, informed the feasibility study and enabled providers to create a proposal to meet the community's needs. Principal architects Heyler Davies recently revised the proposal, which is now a single storey concept that both reflects these requirements and keeps the project within budget.

**“** A planning application has now been submitted to deliver a new purpose-built youth centre and community hall, multi-purpose games facility and modern children's play area. During November the Town Council will be hosting a number of community engagement events to provide feedback about the proposed redevelopment to inform the detailed design work once the plans have been approved.”



*Councillor Freddie Tandy,  
Chair of the Community Centres Sub Committee*

**i** Find the plans and survey (closes on 26th November) online  
[www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/keystone](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/keystone)





# 2021



## Year in Pictures Special!

JULY

Love Local Arts in the High Street (Launch)



AUGUST  
Sandcastle Competition





**AUGUST**  
**Screen on the Green**



**AUGUST**  
**Beacon Lighting - 100 Years of the Royal British Legion**



**AUGUST**  
**Love Local Arts in the High Street**





**AUGUST**  
**Skate Park Official Opening**



**SEPTEMBER**  
**Town Show & Family Fun Day**





**SEPTEMBER**  
New Accessible Allotments



**OCTOBER**  
Sports Awards



**OCTOBER**  
Financial Sports Awards





# Homework is where the heart is



Creative Heart volunteers

*“Creative Heart is a love filled, vibrant, community hub and arts café in the heart of Littlehampton,”* says Felicity Jay, adding that the community organisation is run by the community for the community and offers a safe and inclusive space that tackles loneliness, inspires creativity and improves wellbeing.

“We offer a range of workshops, groups and activities for everybody. We also have a hoist-assisted changing facility, a sensory room, art studios to rent, two large meeting rooms, a hot-desking office, a therapy room and a salon,” said Felicity.

An ever-increasing timetable that spans everything from games and crafts to singing and exercise, there is also Friendship Time in the welcoming café, enabling people to meet and make new friends.

Soon adding a Homework Club, thanks to a grant from the Town Council, this is scheduled to run on Wednesdays and Fridays; 3.30 – 4.30pm and will be led by qualified teachers.

“Thanks to the Town Council we have a large screen and some of the laptops needed. This will mean we can provide a safe space for children, who may not have access to technology at home, to come and do their homework and get the advice and support they need,” Felicity told Progress.

**i** To volunteer or support, or for details of the full timetable  
🏠 [www.creativeheart.org.uk](http://www.creativeheart.org.uk)  
or search **Creative Heart** on social media

# Community Warden Steps up

It has been a busy time for our Community Wardens, who continue to work hard to establish themselves within the local community. Pleased to have attended many local events, Wardens are enjoying immersing themselves in everything that Littlehampton has to offer.

But, Wardens have also dealt with some serious incidents. Necessitating quick thinking and assured responses, JJ Mootealoo deserves special recognition for saving the life of a resident by administering medical treatment on the street before paramedics arrived.

**i** To contact the Wardens directly for community-based advice or support, please email:  
✉ [community.wardens@arun.gov.uk](mailto:community.wardens@arun.gov.uk)  
For information on monthly drop-in sessions see  
📱 @arundistrictcouncil

# New trees for Rosemead Park

Readers may be aware of the Town Council’s planning application seeking to replace the group of Leylandii trees on Rosemead Park situated adjacent to the Fitzalan link road.

Nearing the end of their lifespan, it is intended that the existing trees will be replaced by established English native trees and hedgerow that are best suited to coastal conditions and provide a long-term planting scheme that can be enjoyed for years to come.

**“**Offering a sustainable habitat for local wildlife, the new additions will complement the rest of the park’s established vegetation and in time provide screening from the road behind. We will be working closely with contractors Apples and Pears, to develop a plan for the management of the scheme which will take into consideration watering, pruning and ongoing maintenance. The project is scheduled to commence in November 2021.”

*Chair of the Community Resources Committee,  
Councillor Billy Blanchard-Cooper*



**i** Full details are available at  
🏠 [www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/rosemeadtrees](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/rosemeadtrees)





# What's On!

**Festive Fun Saturdays**  
20 November –  
11 December



**FREE**

**In Wick and High Street**  
**Lots of family fun!**

🏠 [www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/christmas21](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/christmas21)

## DECEMBER

**Saturday 4 December –**  
**Saturday 26 February 2022**

**Exhibition – Archive Art**

9am – 4.30pm Mon to Fri,

10.30am – 4.30pm Saturday

Littlehampton Museum, BN17 5EW

A delve into the archives with an exhibition showcasing items from the Museum's art collection, not normally on show to the public.

☎ 01903 731800

🏠 [www.littlehamptonmuseum.co.uk](http://www.littlehamptonmuseum.co.uk)

**Saturday 11, 7pm**

**Edwin James Festival Choir – *Feel the Spirit of Christmas***

St. James The Great Church, East Ham Road

Come and celebrate the beginning of the Festive Season with us! Doors open 6.15pm, tickets cost £10 adults / £4 children.

☎ 01243 582330

🏠 [www.edwinjamesfestivalchoir.co.uk](http://www.edwinjamesfestivalchoir.co.uk)

## What's On at The Windmill?

A landmark building in our Town, The Windmill offers a busy film schedule and live performance.

🏠 [www.windmillcinema.co.uk](http://www.windmillcinema.co.uk)

**Sunday 12, 4 – 5pm**

**Carol Singing and Christmas Celebration with All Saints Church**

Wick Hall, 76 Wick Street, BN17 7JS  
*Carols and Christmas celebration for all ages in Wick Hall.*

🏠 [www.allsaintswick.org.uk](http://www.allsaintswick.org.uk)

**Saturday 18, 11am - 3pm**

**Special Christmas Festive Littlehampton Artisan Market**

Littlehampton High Street

*An all-in celebration for a festive Christmas, with live music, street performances and locally sourced or made artisan goods available from our festive stall holders.*

f [LittlehamptonArtisan](https://www.facebook.com/LittlehamptonArtisan)

## JANUARY

**Thursday 20 to Sunday 23,**  
**performance times vary.**

**ALADDIN**

The Windmill Theatre, BN17 5LH

*The Littlehampton Musical Comedy Society presents the classic pantomime 'Aladdin'.*

*Advance booking is highly recommended, tickets cost £15- Adult and £14- Concession*

☎ 01903 730775 (LMCS Box Office)

🏠 [www.lmcs.productions](http://www.lmcs.productions)

## FEBRUARY

**Saturday 26, 11am – 1pm**

**Pancake Olympics**

Littlehampton High Street

*The event will see the Pancake Olympians fight for the coveted Gold Medals and £100 for their chosen charity.*

☎ 01903 732063

🏠 [www.visitlittlehampton.co.uk](http://www.visitlittlehampton.co.uk)

List your event  
for free in the  
**Littlehampton  
What's On  
2022 Guide** (print)  
**Deadline 30 January 2022**

Email  
[events@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk](mailto:events@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk)

# Christmas Reloaded

Eat, drink and play in LA - that's the message from the Town Council as they set about making up for the Christmas COVID stole last year.

Serving up a fantasia of festive fun activities for all from **Friday 19 November.**

**In the High Street**



**Friday 19 November,**  
**5-8pm: Christmas Lights Switch On**

**and Late-Night Shopping.**

The town will be transformed into a winter wonderland, complete with a presence of Father Christmas himself and three of his reindeer. Plus, lots of family entertainment.



**Saturday 27**  
**November, 11-3pm:**  
**Festive Artisan**

**Market.** Organised by LOCA, expect quality gift stalls, walkabout acts, music, free children's face-painting and more. Funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).



**Saturday 4 and 11**  
**December, 11-3pm:**  
**Festive Children's**

**Rides.** Free bouncy castles and teacup rides by Nick & Ben's Entertainment, live performances, character meet and greets. Funded by the ERDF.





## In Wick



**Saturday 20**

**November, 5-7pm:**

**Wick's Community**

**Christmas.** Organised by the Wick Action Group, Wick's Christmas tree will be switched on with lots of family activities on offer including a special visit from Santa who will be handing out free presents to children. Join in the free lantern making workshop (5-5.45pm), enjoy festive food and live entertainment. Meet and greet Elsa and Olaf from Frozen. Funded by the ERDF.



**Saturday 11**

**December, 4pm:**

**Free Christmas**

**Movie** at Wick Hall.

Tickets are free but must be booked in advance at [www.allsaintswick.org.uk/Christmas](http://www.allsaintswick.org.uk/Christmas).

Full programme

[www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/christmas21](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/christmas21)

## Arun Youth Projects Littlehampton



Offering club sessions including games consoles, sports competitions, creative arts, cooking projects and trips for young people. Search Arun Youth Projects on Instagram and Facebook.

Entry 50p per session

[f/arunyouthprojects](https://www.facebook.com/arunyouthprojects)

# Olympian presents Awards to Town's Sporting Superstars



Gail Emms MBE and Sportsperson of the Year, Isabel Moore

With Olympic silver medallist Gail Emms MBE presenting the trophies, Littlehampton's annual Sports Awards took place on 4th October at the Vardar Restaurant. An initiative managed by Littlehampton Sports Forum and the Town Council, to recognise the achievements and contributions made by local sportspeople and off-pitch community champions.

### Honours Table:

#### Sportsperson of the Year

Isabel Moore (Shooter)

*sponsored by the Littlehampton Times.*

#### Young Sportsperson of the Year

Ella Thornburg (Swimmer)

*sponsored by the Littlehampton Traders' Partnership.*

#### Coach Contribution to Youth Sports of the Year

Mike Askew (Cricketer)

*sponsored by Norfolk Bowls Club.*

#### Sports Administrator of the Year

Jacqui Brockwell (Swimming Club Administrator)

*sponsored by Going Spare.*

#### Coach of the Year

Sue Cameron (Swimming Coach)

*sponsored by Walsh Pest Control.*

#### Sports Team of the Year

Littlehampton Town Football Club

*sponsored by Mewsbrook Park Café.*

#### Youth Sports Team of the Year

Littlehampton Cricket Club U13s

*sponsored by the Bond of Friendship Lodge No. 9117.*

#### Contribution to Disabled Sport

Carrie Reynolds (Sport Without Boundaries)

*sponsored by FA Holland & Son.*

#### Unsung Hero

Dan Rive (Cricket Club Member)

*sponsored by Mewsbrook Park Cafe.*

#### Mayor's Lifetime Contribution to Sport in Littlehampton

David O Jones



It was brilliant to see so many different sports clubs and club representatives back together to celebrate each other's success. In addition to the Sports Awards, the Sports Forum awarded a total of £1,000 through its Sporting Excellence Grants to swimming siblings Euan and Caitriona MacLeod to enable their progress in their sport. We are grateful to all our sponsors for their support with this community initiative."

*Chair of the Sports Forum, Councillor Billy Blanchard-Cooper.*





# Tells us what you think

Littlehampton Town Council provides a range of services to more than 30,000 residents across the Town. Progress Newsletter is our residents' newsletter published four times a year and delivered door to door to almost every home in the Town. We also have an email newsletter, eProgress, which you can subscribe to on our website.

It publicises the services we provide, key news for the Town including housing and highways developments and showcases some of the community's achievements.

By answering a few questions you will be helping us identify ways to improve our communications to you.

You can fill in the survey online [www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/progress](http://www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/progress) or fill it in and send it to Littlehampton Town Council, The Manor House, Church Street, Littlehampton, BN17 5EW, before **19<sup>th</sup> November 2021**.

## Progress Survey

### 1. Do you read Progress?

a) Always b) Sometimes c) Never

If you answered a) or b), please continue answering the survey. If you answered c), please tell us why:

### 2. How valuable do you find Progress for finding out what the Town Council is doing and what is going on in the Town?

☐ Not valuable ☐ Of limited value ☐ Helpful ☐ Invaluable

### 3. What article topics do you find the most interesting?

For example, Mayor's Message/Shout Out, What's on.

What would you like to see more of in Progress?

### 4. How would you rate the overall design of the newsletter?

☐ Excellent ☐ Very Good ☐ Good  
☐ Satisfactory ☐ Poor ☐ Very Poor

If very poor or poor, please tell us how you think we could improve it

### 5. How would you prefer to receive Progress?

- ☐ A hard copy through your door  
☐ Pick up point. Please state where you picked up your copy \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Online  
☐ By subscription – a printed issue posted to you free of charge  
☐ By email – the same newsletter but in digital form  
☐ I would prefer to sign up for the email newsletter which is sent out more frequently

### 6. How do you currently receive Progress?

- ☐ A hard copy through your door  
☐ Pick up points, which: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Read it online on the Council's website  
☐ Through Council's Facebook page

### 7. How often would you prefer to receive a copy of our newsletter? (currently four times a year)

- ☐ Once a year  
☐ Twice a year  
☐ Three times a year  
☐ Four times a year

### 8. Has our newsletter encouraged you to:

Tick all that apply

Visit our websites

- ☐ Littlehampton-tc.gov.uk  
☐ visitlittlehampton.co.uk  
☐ littlehamptonmuseum.co.uk

Follow one of our Facebook pages

- ☐ Littlehampton Town Council  
☐ Visit Littlehampton  
☐ Littlehampton Museum

- ☐ Attend a Council meeting  
☐ Attend an event  
☐ Visit the Museum

### 9. How else do you find out about the work of Littlehampton Town Council? For example – local newspaper, radio, website, notice boards.

Any other comments:

Age group – this will help us learn our readership demographic

☐ Under 18 ☐ 18-24 ☐ 25-34 ☐ 35-44 ☐ 45-54 ☐ 55+

*Thank you.*