

PROGRESS

Littlehampton Town Council's Newsletter

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**www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk
or call
01903 732063**

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at The Manor House
Littlehampton



**Grade II Listed Building
Grand Setting**

01903 732063
**littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/weddings
weddings@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk**

**Covid-secure
measures in place**

? 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



littlehampton-tc.gov.uk 01903 732063



Museum



Allotments



Grants



Youth
Services



Street Scene &
Graffiti Removal



Rosemead
Park



Venues
for Hire



Southfields
Community Centre



arun.gov.uk 01903 737500



Housing



Dog Offences



Council Tax



Public
Conveniences



Visitor
Information



Planning



Environmental
Health



Waste



Beaches



Car Parks



westsussex.gov.uk 01243 777100



Births,
Marriages
& Deaths



Roads &
Travel



Health &
Social Care



Education,
Children &
Families



Streetlights



Libraries



Waste



Fire &
Rescue
Service

Meeting Dates



March – May 2022

March

Mon 14 Policy & Finance

Thu 17 Community Resources

Thu 24 Full Council

Mon 28 Planning & Transportation

April

Thu 14 Community Resources

Thu 21 Annual Town Meeting

Mon 25 Planning & Transportation

May

Thu 12 Full Council

Mon 23 Planning & Transportation

For details on how these meetings will be held (remotely or in person) see
www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/committee-meetings

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Mayor's Message



We have a lot to look forward to in Littlehampton this year. Firstly, there are the exciting changes to our High Street, and also the changes that we can look forward to as a result of Arun District Council securing Levelling Up funding.

As for having our spirits lifted, Spring, with its warmer weather and lighter nights, is just around the corner. We are so lucky to have both the beach and riverside on our doorstep, so let's make the most of them as Winter is replaced by more outdoor-friendly seasons. But please ensure that you and your children stay safe. As well as strong currents, there are also hidden dangers under the water. Jumping into the river or sea from any height is especially perilous, so make sure that safety is front and centre of mind when you enjoy our wonderful waterside location.

As for me, I will be concluding my Mayoral term in May. I hope very much to meet many more of you before then - it has been such a pleasure to get to know residents and to discover the wonderful groups that people are involved in. The sense of community certainly has a strong heartbeat in Littlehampton. Long may it thud!

With warm regards,

Councillor Michelle Molloy, Town Mayor

Contact the Mayor

✉ 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



The Mayor's SHOUT-OUT

A welcoming arts and community hub that our town is lucky to have, Creative Heart really does offer something for everyone.



From Dementia Café to Lego Club for youngsters (and much more besides!), the way this charity is evolving is both inspiring and heart-warming. Passionate about bringing community together and tackling social isolation and loneliness, I guarantee that you'll find something on their timetable that appeals to you. Or perhaps you would like to get involved as a volunteer?



Find out more at

🏠 www.creativeheart.org.uk



SOUTHFIELDS JUBILEE CENTRE

**TWO HALLS
KITCHEN
FREE CAR PARK
INTERNAL
COURTYARD GARDEN**



**Visit our website
to see What's On**

bookings@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk
www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk



Major Town Centre regeneration project gets underway



Public Realm Improvements in the High Street

Progress is pleased to confirm that work has begun on Littlehampton Town Centre's exciting £3.5 million regeneration project.

Encompassing the first two phases of the £6 million, five-phase Littlehampton Town Centre Public Realm Improvements, the work will cover the pedestrianised High Street (including Duke Street, St Martin's Lane and Clifton Road), Beach Road, and a stretch of East Street. This work is expected to be completed by December 2022.

“The Town Council is pleased to have contributed £200,000 towards the first two phases of this project which is being led by the District Council. The works are being carried out in a way to cause minimal disruption to visitors and businesses. The Town remains open and it is important that we continue to support local businesses.”

*Chair of the Policy and Finance Committee,
Councillor Dr James Walsh KStJ*



During the works a section of St Martins car park will be closed to the public, as it will be used as the contractor's main compound. Littlehampton's Friday Market will continue to operate, but its location may change weekly. Advanced notice will be given for the temporary relocations.

i For further information
www.arun.gov.uk/la-public-realm



Hitting the ground running, our Museum's new Curator Julia Edge found time to introduce herself to Progress readers...

Where did you work before coming to Littlehampton Museum?

I have come to Littlehampton from Amberley Museum, where I was Curator for the last five years. Before this I worked at Bignor Roman Villa, and before that some larger London Museums including The Horniman Museum, The National Maritime Museum and the Natural History Museum.

What are your particular interests when it comes to your work?

I am interested in all old things, but particularly archaeology as I studied this at Exeter University, many years ago.

What are you looking forward to in your new post?

I am particularly looking forward to working with the community in Littlehampton to develop the Museum and its collections. I live in Pulborough and have two children, but only one, aged 16, left at home. I love Littlehampton and we come here often to walk by the seafront and to visit the cafes.

i For exhibitions and online resources visit
www.littlehamptonmuseum.co.uk









Happy and glorious: The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

On 6 February, Her Majesty the Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee.


Marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth, celebratory community events are scheduled all around the globe with the UK enjoying a four-day bank holiday weekend (Thursday 2 - Sunday 5 June).

Littlehampton will be marking the historic milestone with a series of Jubilee-themed activities and events, including:

-  New trees at Rosemead Park will be dedicated to The Queen's Green Canopy
-  A beacon lighting event will take place on the seafront on Thursday 2 June (time TBC).
-  Museum exhibition from 14 March through to 6 June showcasing pictures of how Littlehampton celebrated previous Royal events.
-  A picnic on the seafront greens on Sunday 5 June to coincide with the Big Jubilee Lunch. Residents are invited to bring their picnics and come together in a spirit of fun and friendship to enjoy light entertainment and fun. Alternatively, people may host their own street party, picnic, or garden barbecue. The Big Lunch website provides tips and ideas for hosting an event. Permission for street parties can be sought from Arun District Council.



Additional national celebrations include The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour) on 2 June, the Platinum Party at the Palace on 3 June and the Platinum Jubilee Pageant on Sunday 5 June.

 I would like to encourage everyone to please join in with celebrating this historic milestone for our British Monarch. There are many ways people, groups and businesses can get involved and I hope to see the Town awash with lots of red, white and blue bunting, window displays and celebrations incorporating this monumental occasion. The Town Council will be happy to help promote all local Jubilee-related events."



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

 For more information
www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/jubilee22



CAN YOU HELP? 

We are looking for memories and photos for an online exhibition on Littlehampton's Royal celebrations.

Do you remember celebrating the Queen's Coronation or one of the previous Jubilees?

Contact us : museum@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk tel: 01903 738100



Sign up for eProgress



Ian Gledhill and Town Mayor Councillor Michelle Molloy

Have you signed up to eProgress yet? Delivering local breaking news direct to your inbox, eProgress keeps you updated on local events, support organisations, highways and building developments and much more.

Of particular value since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, charting changes in services, news about Government guidance and signposting to key organisations, eProgress keeps residents informed at the click of a mouse.

Last year subscribers were entered into a prize draw to win £150 and the lucky winner was Littlehampton resident, Ian Gledhill. Speaking about his win, Ian said: "Signing up for the newsletter is really easy. Receiving it via email is very convenient. The newsletter includes handy details of local news and events. The money is a very welcome bonus, which my wife and daughter are looking forward to helping me spend."

i Sign up online
www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/eprogress-newsletter



GRANT AID 2022

The Town Council's annual Grant Aid programme will open on 22 March with a total 'pot' of £21,000 available.

Designed to support local not-for-profit groups and charities, the scheme seeks applications from those who can demonstrate their services benefit members of our community by offering cultural enrichment, advice or support, or by providing sporting activities.

“ The last couple of years have been challenging for everyone, and this scheme can help fund everything from the purchase of vital resources to extending services to meet demand. If you think your group could benefit from a grant, then please look at the criteria online. We want to help as many groups as possible and look forward to seeing what applications are made this year."
*Chair of the Community Resources Committee,
Councillor Billy Blanchard-Cooper*



In 2021 the Council awarded grants to 29 groups for a variety of resources and services including St Barnabas House who received £940 to purchase protective equipment to undertake palliative care. Helping the Hospice to continue providing vital care during the unprecedented pandemic, including its Hospice at Home service, a spokesperson for the charity said: "Your support has enabled us to grow, develop and improve our Hospice at Home service for all those who need it and we are truly grateful."

i Apply online (deadline 6th May)
www.littlehampton-tc.gov.uk/grants

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)



Littlehampton Town Council's Budget 2022/23



The Council has agreed its budget for the forthcoming year and like previous years key services such as allotments, grants and events have been protected. The budget continues to provide the funds to deliver on the Council's priorities, including building up the Revenue Budgets for forthcoming new projects namely the Keystone Youth Facility and the North Littlehampton Community Centre.

“The process was extremely challenging with many changing factors such as increases in energy costs and inflation. Provision is also made for the new in-house Town Centre Team, together with continued funding for Town Centre events and the Community Wardens.”

*Chair of the Policy and Finance Committee,
Councillor Dr James Walsh KStJ*

The Council has agreed a 3.95% increase in Council Tax for a Band D taxpayer. This represents a £5.09 per annum/just under 10p a week increase.

These figures are for the Town Council's part of the Council Tax, for other elements residents need to check their Council Tax bill when it arrives from Arun District Council.

Total Budgeted Revenue Expenditure	£2,526,914
Total Budgeted Income	£85,173
Net Budgeted Revenue Expenditure	£2,441,741
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Financed By	
Precept	£1,366,037
Reserves	£1,075,704
Total	£2,441,741
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Band D Council Tax 2019/20	£133.93
Increase in Band D tax	3.95%

New team at the helm of Town Centre Management

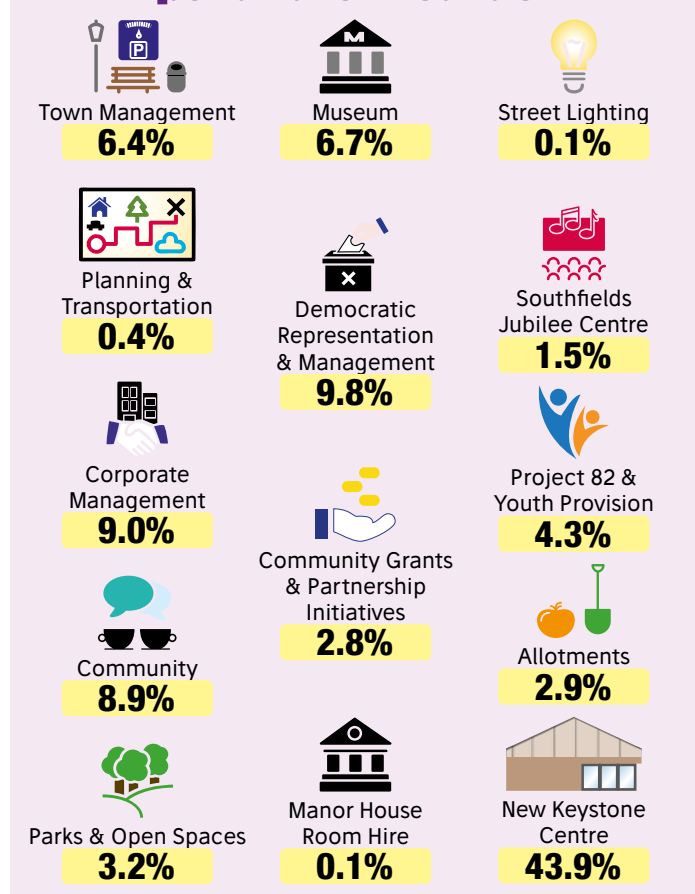
The Town Council is pleased to announce that a new team will be working with other Councils and the Littlehampton Trader's Partnership to deliver the Town Centre Strategy and events.

An arrangement that will benefit from financial support from Arun District Council, the decision comes as funding for the Town Centre Regeneration Officer came to an end (since 2013 the post was funded via monies from Sainsbury's Rustington and the District and Town Councils), with the delivery of the Town Centre Strategy and events now to be led by existing Council Officers. These individuals each have extensive experience in working with the community and will work alongside the Town Trader's Partnership. The Town Council has also provided funding to the Trader's Partnership to enable it to continue offering information and support to its members.

“The Town Council is investing heavily in the Town Centre through a range of initiatives including funding Community Wardens, contributing to the Public Realm improvements, the car parking discs, Christmas illuminations and now the new Town Centre management team. The team will work with a wide variety of organisations such as the Police, the District Council including licensing and safety teams as well as Town Centre businesses to deliver the Town Centre Strategy in collaboration with the Trader's Partnership.”

*Chair of the Policy and Finance Committee,
Councillor Dr James Walsh KStJ*

Expenditure Breakdown



What's On!

April Highlights

Love Local Arts –
Easter
Eggstravaganza



**Saturday 9 –
Sunday 25**

Littlehampton High Street

Find the giant eggs made by local artists and schoolchildren hidden in Town Centre shops and be in with a chance of winning an eggcellent prize. Plus live entertainment on 9 April. More details coming soon.

**Easter Out and
About Sessions**

Eggsciting fun with bunny hunt and themed activities aimed at under 11s. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

FREE

Wednesday 13

Mewsbrook Park, BN16 2LX

10:00 – 12:00

FREE

Wednesday 20

Southfields Park, BN17 6AE

10:00 – 12:00

Please note there are no toilet facilities at Southfields.

☎ 01903 732063

🏠 www.visitlittlehampton.co.uk

FREE

MARCH

Wednesday 2

Wick Flicks – 'The Greatest Showman'

Doors – 14:00, Film Starts – 14:30
Wick Hall, BN17 7JS

Free Admission, donation for light refreshments and prize raffle courtesy of Morrisons.

🏠 www.facebook.com/WickActionGroup

Wednesday 9

Chicago The Musical – Tori Productions

14:30 – 16:30 First Show,
19:00 – 21:00 Evening Show
Windmill Theatre, Littlehampton,
BN17 5LH

Set in the legendary city during the roaring "jazz hot" 20s, Chicago tells the story of two rival vaudevillian murderesses locked up in Cook County Jail.

☎ 07703 562256

🏠 toriproductions.wixsite.com/musicaltheatre

**Monday 14 March –
Friday 6 June FREE**

Exhibition – Royal Littlehampton

9:00 – 16:30 Mon to Fri,
10:30 – 16:30 Saturday
Littlehampton Museum, BN17 5EW
How Littlehampton has celebrated previous Royal events – from coronations, jubilees and weddings to births and deaths.

☎ 01903 731800

🏠 www.littlehamptonmuseum.co.uk

APRIL

Friday 8 – Saturday 23 FREE

Easter Egg Trail

9:00 – 16:30 Mon to Fri,
10:30 – 16:30 Saturday
Littlehampton Museum, BN17 5EW
A trail around the galleries to spot hidden easter eggs in the displays. Find all the eggs' locations to win a chocolate egg.

☎ 01903 731800

🏠 www.littlehamptonmuseum.co.uk

Saturday 9

Edwin James Festival Choir – Jesus Christ Superstar

19:30 – 22:00,
Littlehampton United Church,
1 High Street, BN17 5EG
Donation will be made to The Campaign Against Living Miserably.
Price £10 adults / £4 children.

☎ 01243 582330

🏠 www.edwinjamesfestivalchoir.co.uk/contact

Saturday 23

Littlehampton Town

Artisan Market

11:00 – 15:00, Littlehampton High Street
Local producers and creators, artisan craft makers, antiques, antiquarian books, busking, performance and live art.

☎ 01903 722666

🏠 www.facebook.com/LittlehamptonArtisan



**NOMINATE
★★★★★
A
MOVIE**

Screen on the Green returns to the Seafront on 13 August for another evening of free outdoor cinema fun! We want your suggestions for this year's film! To vote for your favourite flick, simply email events@littlehampton-tc.gov.uk. Please note that films must be PG or U certified. Three of your suggestions will then be shortlisted before you have a chance to vote again for your favourite.

Your Littlehampton Community Wardens



**Meet the team at Morrisons
on 24 March, 10:00-12:00**

They can help:

- Reduce incidents of criminal damage and anti-social behaviour by taking intervention and enforcement action where necessary and liaising with the Police.
- Offer advice on crime prevention and fire safety in the home.
- Report environmental crime issues, notably dog fouling and littering.
- And many more...



Contact the Wardens

📧 community.wardens@arun.gov.uk

For news on community engagement activities see
📱 [arundistrictcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/arundistrictcouncil)

The activities, projects and initiatives mentioned in this issue are all subject to change to reflect latest Government Guidelines on Covid-19

