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## Message from the Mayor

The East Cowes Town Crier is being published early this guarter to let everyone know all about the exciting programme of events planned in the town for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. There's something for everyone and I hope many of you will be able to enjoy this once in a lifetime occasion. Remember to let us know if you would like to enter the best dressed house or front garden competition (see back page for details). The winner will have the honour of taking part in planting a commemorative tree at the Jubilee Recreation Ground during the Picnic in the Park on 5<sup>th</sup> June. There is also an opportunity to enter a Best Dressed King and Queen competition at the picnic with prizes to be awarded on the day. The Platinum Jubilee Trail starting at the Town Hall Community Noticeboard is already up and running – pop down with your smart phone and follow the trail around the town! Please check out the centre pages of this newsletter for an update on the community hub and library build, forthcoming events, improvements on the Esplanade and community information.

Cllr Tracy Reardon Mayor of East Cowes





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## JUBILEE EVENTS

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE



April 30th – 12th June Platinum Jubilee Beacon Trail

#### 2nd June

Watch Traoping The Colour at the Town Hall (check website for time) 9.45pm: Jubilee Beacor Lighting at the Explanate

#### 3rd June

Watch the Service of Thanksgiving at the Town Hall (check website for time) 3.30pm: 40's Tea Dance at the Town Hall

#### 4th June

11.30am - 3pm Jubilee Market at the Esplanade

#### 5th June

12pm – 6pm Picnic in the Park at Jubilee Recreation Ground. Live Music & Entertainment. Bring your own picnic

For full details of these events see our website www.eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk or call (01983) 299082

COME AND FIND ME ON THE EAST COWES JUBILEE BEACON TRAIL! More details on the back page....



## **Community Hub Update**

The Community Hub build is really starting to take shape now. It will provide space for a meeting room, accessible clerk's office and a multi-use space that will house the community library. At the time of going to press the small windows have been installed, underfloor heating has been installed, dry lining is complete, the first fix for mechanical and electrical equipment is done. Roofing materials and the curtain window will be arriving soon. Once the site office is removed work will begin to the frontage. Following a planning variation application being granted the perimeter will consist of a low wall with railings reflecting the design of the former Victorian garden that used to be alongside the Town hall. The photos show just how far we have come!









All being well the building will be open to the public in July. We look forward to seeing you there!

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to the bread bag and ring carrier recycling programmes.

Three large boxes were sent off. These schemes have now finished – we'll let you know when a new scheme opens that we can join!



### **East Cowes Community Library**

**Current Opening Hours at the Town Hall** 

Monday 10.00am-1.00pm Tuesday 5.00pm-6.30pm Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm

#### From July in the Community Hub

Monday to Friday 9.00am-5.00pm Saturday 9.00am-1.00pm

The Library has already started a monthly reading Group (first Tuesday 5.00-6.30pm) and is looking forward to hosting many other groups and activities in the new building. If you would like to join the team of library volunteers or have a special interest or hobby you would like to share with other likeminded people please contact the Library Co-ordinator Di Palmer on 01983 299082

# Cost of Living Crisis Information

#### Tips from the Footprint Trust

- 1.Just heat the room you are actually in, turn heating down or off in other parts of the house. Ventilate unused rooms at midday and bathrooms and kitchens when being used to prevent damp.
- 2. Use jumpers, duvets and electric blankets.
- 3. Use a microwave oven for cooking or a slow cooker. If you do use a full-size oven, cook the whole meal in it, including your vegetables.
- 4. An electric shower is very expensive to run so just pop in for 3-4 minutes
- 5. Tumble driers are now going to cost around £1 per hour to run, dry naturally if you can.
- 6. If you have an electric hot water tank, check that it is not on 24 hours a day 2 to 3 hours is enough to warm up the tank. Use off-peak supply if you have Economy 7 tariff or similar. Ensure that tank is well insulated.
- 7. If you do have electric night storage heaters follow the manufacturers guidance on how to set them correctly.

Email info@footprint-trust.co.uk Phone 01983 822282.

#### COMMUNITY PANTRY SCHEME



£5 a week
Receive over £15 worth of food
Community Spirited, Vectis Road
Tues 1.30-3.30pm
Weds/Thurs 10.30am-12.30pm
Tel: 01983 296592

#### PLENTY TO DO AT THE TOWN HALL...& SOON IN THE COMMUNITY HUB TOO!

Pop in and see us, follow us on Facebook or check out the Community & Events page on the Town Council website. As well as providing a great location for regular exercise classes, clubs and activities the Town Hall is a wonderful venue for parties and events... and not forgetting our very own Community Cinema. The meeting room in the new building will also be available to hire. Please contact us for more details.

https://www.eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk/community-events/#intro

#### **Paddling Pool News**

East Cowes Esplanade paddling pool is one of the special features of the town that is much loved by residents and visitors alike. It has been a hive of activity over the last few months. Unfortunately in February it was hit by storm Eunice. The pool was filled from the sea with tons of sand and pebbles and the plant house was completely submerged by sea water causing extensive damage to the equipment.



Thankfully due to a successful insurance claim this has been repaired. Works have taken place to replace faulty pipework. Town Council staff have spent many hours removing the debris, cleaning and preparing the pool for opening during May. Enjoy!



#### **Esplanade Improvements**

Having signed the lease from the Isle of Wight Council for the car park on the Esplanade in October 2020 the Town Council are pleased to have completed the resurfacing.

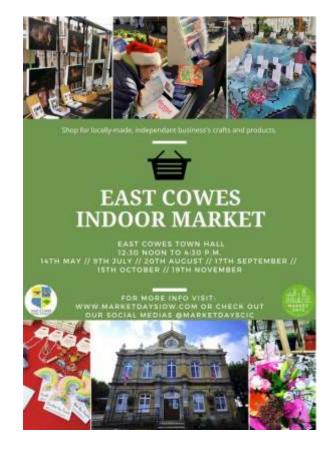
Along with the works to the paddling pool (see above) and excellent progress of the Esplanade & Landslip Community Group project in achieving the gabion and seating project beyond the beach huts the whole Esplanade is really looking great!



Since it's launch February the Community Cinema has really taken off. Up to 70 tickets are available for the second Saturday of the month. Doors open at 6.45pm and the film begins at 7.00pm. A dedicated team of volunteers set out the hall, run the film, provide refreshments in the interval and pack away each time. A varied programme is planned right up to November. Why not join us in May for our "A Royal Night Out"?

#### **Monthly Market Comes to East Cowes**

One of the aspirations that came out of the Town Plan last year was to hold a regular market in the Town. The Town Council is working with a Community Interest Company called Market Days to make this a reality. Please come along and support the first one that will take place in the Town Hall on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 12.30-4.30pm. You can find the dates on the poster below. In June you will find the market on the Esplanade and the Christmas Market will take place in Kings Square. Another exciting new venture for our town!



# PLATINUM JUBILEE COMPETITIONS

# BEST DRESSED HOUSE OR FRONT GARDEN COMPETITION

Dress up your house or front garden
Platinum colours are
purple and silver

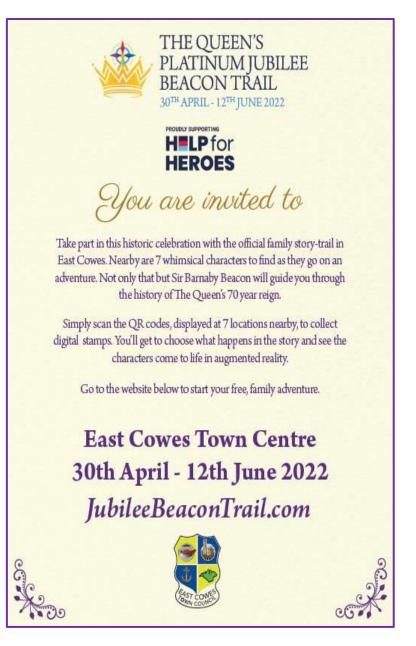
The winner will have the honour of planting a commemorative tree at Jubilee Recreation Ground on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June

To enter
Email your name and address to
clerk@eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk
or phone 01983 299082

#### BEST DRESSED KING OR QUEEN

Come along to the Picnic in the Park on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 12noon in your costume!

Prizes to be awarded on the day



### **Town Council Meeting Dates**

#### May

12<sup>th</sup> Facilities Projects and Events Committee 6pm 19<sup>th</sup> Full Council 6pm

Planning Committee meetings take place as needed prior to meetings listed above.

Dates for the coming 12 months will be set at the annual meeting. Full Council meetings usually take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 6pm. Facilities Projects and Events Committee meetings take place bimonthly on the first Thursday of the month.

#### **HOW TO CONTACT THE TOWN COUNCIL**

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#### SEND US YOUR COMMUNITY NEWS!!!!!

Contributions to this newsletter from the community are welcome. If you are involved with a local group, project or event please email an article and a photo to: <a href="mailto:assistantclerk@eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk">assistantclerk@eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk</a>

Copies of the newsletter are delivered to every household in East Cowes and available from the Town Hall lobby as well as on the Town Council website and via Facebook.

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