



WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



WINTER 2018/19

TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT

The Town Council has approved a Precept of £149,476.00 for 2019-2020, which is an increase of 5.3% on the 2018-19 Precept, mainly due to increases in funding for youth activities and additional funds allocated for office accommodation for the Town Clerk whilst the Town Hall is renovated.

CENTENARY ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF WW1 COMMEMORATION

To commemorate the centenary anniversary of the end of WW1 the Town Council donated £200 to the Royal British Legion, purchased a WW1 Commemorative Plaque at a cost of £250 and two WW1 Commemorative Benches at a cost of £1,818. The plaque and the benches are sited next to the Westhoughton War Memorial.

The Remembrance Day Parade and the Services of Remembrance were very well attended. During the Service of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Westhoughton High School pupils read out the names of the servicemen from the Westhoughton area who lost their lives as a result of WW1 and approximately 60 Poppy Wreaths were laid, which is a great tribute. The Town Council is very proud that so many poppy wreaths were laid and hundreds of people attended the special commemoration.

CIVIC MEDAL & THE HAROLD DANIELS MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Town Council is to award a Civic Medal and the Harold Daniels Memorial Trophy, which will be kept for one year, to Mr Chris. Buckley in recognition of his outstanding voluntary work and valuable contribution to the community for over 20 years.
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DAISY HILL IN BLOOM COMMITTEE

The Town Council is pleased to support the Daisy Hill in Bloom Committee with £1,000 funding. The Committee comprises of Town Councillors and members of the public and organises planting and tidying sessions in Daisy Hill. Members of the public are welcome to join the Committee or join in the planting and tidying sessions. For further details please contact: daisyhillinbloom@outlook.com

ANNUAL AUDIT

The audit of the Town Council accounts for 2017- 2018 were audited by PKF Littlejohn LLP, an independent external auditor, and there were no matters which required attention.

WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL CIVIC EVENTS

The Remembrance Day Parade, the Community Carol Service and the lighting of the Christmas Displays and the Pretoria Pit Disaster Memorial Services were Civic Events organised and funded by the Town Council. These events were extremely successful and well attended by members of the public.

TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS

Grants up to £500 are available to voluntary groups and larger grants may be awarded in very exceptional circumstances. Application Forms are available from the Town Clerk.

2018 POPPY APPEAL

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2018 in Westhoughton raised £12,512. This marvellous total will benefit servicemen and women and ex-servicemen and women and their families.

TOWN COUNCIL

Below are listed some of the Town Council's projects and achievements:

1. Funding improvements to Public Rights of Way
2. Funding and organising a Centenary of the Start of World War 1 Commemorative Event
3. Funding improvements to Local Nature Reserves
4. The Get Active Westhoughton Youth Project
5. Town Centre CCTV scheme
6. Town Centre Christmas Lights
7. Organising the Remembrance Day Parade, the Community Carol Service and two Pretoria Pit Disaster Memorial Services
8. Civic Medals Awards, Young Citizen of the Year Awards and Environmental Award for outstanding service to the community
9. Siting of Solar Powered Driver Feedback Signs
10. Employ a Homewatch Liaison Officer
11. Independent audit of the Town Council Accounts with no matters requiring attention
12. Financial support for Daisy Hill in Bloom
13. Funding 50% of the cost of re-lettering the names on the World War 1 War Memorial
14. Funding the cost of enhancing the names on the World War 2 War Memorial
15. Funding as hire car for a Policing Team Vehicle
16. Funding plants and the ongoing maintenance of planters on Market Street

WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCILLORS MAY BE CONTACTED DIRECTLY

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ATTENDANCE: AM-Annual Meeting /ATM-Annual Town Meeting /P-Planning /TC-Town Council

COUNCILLOR	MAY			JUNE		JULY		AUG		SEP		OCT		NOV		DEC		JAN		FEB		MAR		APR		
	AM	ATM	P & AM	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	
CONSERVATIVE																										
Mrs L J Winrow-Baker	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							
INDEPENDENT																										
J Speight	1	1	0/1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1							
LABOUR																										
R A Battersby	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1							
D A Chadwick	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							
Ms A Graham	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1							
Mrs C J Harkin	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0							
K S Jones	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							
Mrs J A Peplow	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1							
A Price	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1							
T D Robinson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0													
Miss S Watkin	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0							
Mrs G F Williams	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1							
LIBERAL DEMOCRAT																										
J R Ainscough	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0							
Mrs A B Eckersley-Fallon	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1							
Miss R S M Fairhurst	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1							
D J Gradwell	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1							
Miss D J McGeown	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1							
D A Wilkinson	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							

From December, 2017, Cllr J Speight is not a member of the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committee
 From November, 2018, Cllr T D Robinson is no longer a Councillor due to non-attendance for six months