



WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



WINTER 2017/18

TOWN COUNCIL PRECEPT

The Town Council has approved a Precept of £141,890 for 2018-2019, which is an increase of 1.25% on the 2017-2018 Precept. This equates to an increase of 18p FOR THE YEAR for a Band D Council Tax payer. The Town Council allocated £6,000 in the 2017-2018 Precept for temporary office accommodation for the Town Clerk during the renovation of Westhoughton Town Hall. The renovation was delayed and the unused £6,000 has been carried forward to 2018-2019.

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. All the events were extremely successful and well attended by members of the Public.

DAISY HILL IN BLOOM

The Daisy Hill in Bloom Committee comprises of Town Councillors and members of the public who plant baskets, tubs and shrubs, organise litter picking sessions, and organised a very successful Flower, Fruit and Vegetable Show in 2017. The Town Council is pleased to support the Committee with £1,000 funding. Members of the public are very welcome to join the Committee or be involved in the planting and tidying sessions. For further details please contact: jill.aldred@btinternet.com

TOWN COUNCIL AWARDS

The Town Council is to award a Civic Medal and the Harold Daniels memorial Trophy, which will be kept for one year, to Mr Raymond Dainton in recognition of his outstanding charitable fundraising over the past 30 years, which has raised over £100,000 for charity. A Young Citizen of the Year Award is to be presented to Jamie Faulkner in recognition of his voluntary work in the community and help to young people. An Environmental Award is to be presented to Friends of Daisy Hill Station in recognition of the group's environmental work at Daisy Hill Station.

TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS

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

CCTV AND HOMEWATCH

The Town Council is committed to crime prevention and it funds the Town Centre CCTV Scheme. It also employs a Homewatch Liaison Officer who organises Homewatch Meetings, assists with formation of new Homewatch Schemes and supports existing schemes. Homewatch Signs are funded and sited by Bolton Council.

If you are interested in forming a Homewatch Scheme or have any queries regarding Homewatch, please contact the Homewatch Liaison Officer, Mr Keith Jackson Tel: 0790 403 8176

2017 POPPY APPEAL

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2017 in Westhoughton raised £11,753 plus £1,000 from Westhoughton Town Council for Display Poppies. This marvellous total is almost £2,000 more than in 2016 and it 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. Bolton Lads & Girls Club Westhoughton Outreach and Detached Programme
16. Funding a hire car for a Policing Team Vehicle
17. Free Westhoughton Town Guide
18. 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	P	ATM	AM	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC	P	TC
CONSERVATIVE																
P J Ashcroft	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	vacancy	
Mrs L J Winrow-Baker	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
INDEPENDENT																
J Speight	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	
LABOUR																
R A Battersby	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
D A Chadwick	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ms A Graham	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
Mrs C J Harkin	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
K S Jones	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
Mrs J A Peploe	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
A Price	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
T D Robinson	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Miss S Watkin	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Mrs G F Williams	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
LIBERAL DEMOCRAT																
J R Ainscough	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mrs A B Eckersley-Fallon	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
Miss R S M Fairhurst	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
D J Gradwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
D A Wilkinson	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1