

# WESTHOUGHTON TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



**SPRING 2019** 

### **TOWN MAYOR 2019-2020**

The Town Council elections were held on 2nd May, 2019 and the Town Mayor for 2019-2020 will be appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Town Council on 13th May, 2019. The Town Mayor will be available to attend functions throughout the town and invitations should be directed to the Town Clerk.

# ANNUAL AUDIT

The Annual Accounts for 2018-2019 will be available for inspection by members of the public from 17th June, 2019—26th July, 2019. Electors can also question the auditor until the audit has been completed. Requests to inspect the Annual Accounts should be directed to the Town Clerk.

# PLANTERS ON MARKET STREET

The Town Council will ensure that Market Street is bright and welcoming in the summer months by funding plants for the planters and the ongoing maintenance, plus the winter/spring bedding plants at a cost of £3,395.

### **HONORARY FREEMAN**

The Town Council was very proud to confer the title of Honorary Freeman to the former Town Councillor, Town Mayor of Westhoughton, Bolton Councillor, Mayor of Bolton and Alderman, Peter L Finch, in recognition of his longstanding and devoted service to Westhoughton.

# **YOUTH PROVISION**

The Town Council financially supports the Get Active Westhoughton Youth Project, which is organised by Bolton Council, and the Bolton Lads and Girls Club Outreach and Detached Project at a cost of £45,142. Both projects greatly benefit the young people of Westhoughton by offering youth activities, sporting activities, training, arts, crafts, consoles and team building activities.

#### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Townspeople are invited to attend the Annual Town Meeting, on Monday, 20th May, 2019, at 6.45 p.m., in the Council Chamber, Westhoughton Town Hall.

Townspeople may ask questions on Town Council work and items within its powers ie: Town Council Projects, Annual Accounts, Report of the Town Council.

# **MAYORAL SUNDAY SERVICE**

Townspeople are invited to attend the dedication of the Town Mayor for 2019-2020 which will be held at the Parish Church of St Bartholomew, on Sunday, 19th May, 2019, at 11.00 a.m.. Greenfield Band is performing and refreshments will be served after the service.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

The Annual Report of the Town Council for 2018-2019 will be available from the Town Hall from 21st May, 2019 and it can also be viewed on www.bolton.gov.uk/westhoughton

# NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM VEHICLE

The Town Council has funded a hire car to be used as a Neighbourhood Policing Team vehicle, for 12 months, at a cost of £5,000.

### **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

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**CHEQUERBENT WARD** Cllr Mrs J Peploe (Lab), 45 Junction Road, Bolton, BL3 4LT

Cllr J Speight (Ind), 60 Clough Avenue, Westhoughton, BL5 2NQ DAISY HILL WARD

CIIr Mrs R S M Fairhurst (Lib Dem)

Cllr Mrs G F Williams (Lab), 17 Sanderling Close, Westhoughton, BL5 2SP Cllr Mrs L J Winrow-Baker (Con), 6 Mill Street, Westhoughton, BL5 3AL

**HOSKERS AND HART COMMON** 

Cllr J R Ainscough (Lib Dem), 55 Dicconson Ln, Westhoughton, BL5 3NN Cllr D J Gradwell (Lib Dem), 21 Cow Lees, Westhoughton, BL5 3EG Cllr D A Wilkinson (Lib Dem) 12 The Crescent, Westhoughton, BL5 2AE WHITE HORSE WARD

Cllr Miss D J McGeown, 9 Churnet Close, Westhoughton, BL5 3LF Cllr A Price (Lab), 11 Broomway, Westhoughton, BL5 3TZ

Cllr T D Robinson (Lab),

Cllr Miss S Watkin (Lab), 1 Fairhaven Avenue, Westhoughton, BL5 3HE

**WINGATES WARD** 

Clir Mrs A B Eckersley-Fallon,

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

| COUNCILLOR               | MAY |     |          | JUNE |    | JULY |   | AUG  |   | SEP  |   | ОСТ  |   | NOV  |   | DEC  | JAN  |   | FEB  |   | MAR  |   | APR |   |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|----------|------|----|------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|------|------|---|------|---|------|---|-----|---|
|                          |     | ATM | ATM P&AM |      | TC | P TC |   | P&TC | Р ТС |   | P TC |   | P TC |   | РТС |   |
| 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    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1   |   |
| INDEPENDENT              |     |     |          |      |    |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |      |   |      |   |      |   |     |   |
| J Speight                | 1   | 1   | 0/1      | 0    | 1  | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0    | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0   |   |
| LABOUR                   |     |     |          |      |    |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |   |      |      |   |      |   |      |   |     |   |
| R A Battersby            | 1   | 1   | 1        | 0    | 0  | 1    | 0 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 1    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0   | ] |
| D A Chadwick             | 1   | 1   | 1        | 1    | 1  | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1    | 1 | 1    | 0 | 1    | 1 | 1   |   |
| Ms A Graham              | 0   | 0   | 0        | 1    | 0  | 1    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0    | 1    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0   | ( |
| Mrs C J Harkin           | 1   | 1   | 1        | 1    | 0  | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 0 | 1    | 0 | 1    | 0    | 1 | 0    | 0 | 1    | 1 | 1   | ( |
| K S Jones                | 1   | 1   | 1        | 1    | 0  | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1   |   |
| Mrs J A Peploe           | 0   | 0   | 0        | 1    | 0  | 0    | 1 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 1    | 0 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 1 | 0   |   |
| A Price                  | 1   | 1   | 1        | 1    | 1  | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 0    | 1 | 0   |   |
| 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    | 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    | 1 | 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    | 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    | 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    | 0 | 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    | 0 | 0    | 1 | 1   | ] |
| Miss D J McGeown         | 1   | 1   | 1        | 1    | 1  | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1    | 0 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1   | ] |
| D A Wilkinson            | 1   | 1   | 1        | 1    | 1  | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 0 | 0    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1    | 1 | 0   | 1 |

From December, 2017, Cllr J Speight is not a member of the Planning and Finance & General Purposes Committee and in the last year, he left four Town Council Meetings early

From November, 2018, Cllr T D Robinson is no longer a Councillor due to non-attendance for six months