# About Wymondham Town Council The newsletter of Wymondham Town Council



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#### A Tribute to Cllr Pete Travis

It was with great sadness that the Mayor, Cllr. Kevin Hurn, opened the August Town Council meeting with an empty seat amongst the Councillors which would have been taken by Cllr Pete Travis, known by many as Pete Green.

The Council, like so many local people was shocked when they heard how a fire had resulted a loss of life in such tragic circumstances

Cllr. Travis was a very well-known and wellliked person around Wymondham. He was a very intelligent man and a very good speaker, always having time to listen to people and engage in conversation or debate.

Possessing many skills, he was probably best known by many as being the Wymondham Town Crier, dressed in his regalia and ringing the bell to herald the opening of many events in town over many years.

Having time for everyone, and was well known, he enjoyed nothing more than a drink in the many public houses around Wymondham.

With a passion for politics and having had great success with his own political party he was elected on to Wymondham Town Council in 2019. A man of many talents, he was also known for his knowledge of market trading, bookbinding and as an actor at the annual PrimEvil Halloween event at the Dinosaur Park amongst other things.

But most of all Cllr. Travis was passionate about Wymondham, and because of this he will be always remembered as one of the true characters of Wymondham. The town is poorer for his loss.



Before the Town Council meeting commenced, a one-minute silence was observed by all in attendance to remember a colleague and to reflect upon what he did for Wymondham and how he touched all our lives.

## Neighbourhood Plan – Progress Update & Policy Ideas Consultation

First of all, thank you to everyone who took the time to provide feedback on the online consultation earlier this year; nearly 300 people responded to the online questionnaire and we were thrilled to receive around 250 different ideas about your vision for Wymondham in the future.

In 2020 the Town Council set up a Neighbourhood Plan Working Group to produce the Neighbourhood Plan. The group includes local residents, leaders of different community groups and a number of Councillors. Since undertaking the consultation at the start of the year, this group has met a number of times, undertaken various site visits and held two policy development workshops. Emerging from these workshops are a series of initial policies and a suggested vision and set of objectives for the Neighbourhood Plan and we would like your feedback before we take these ideas any further.

Exhibition panels have been put up in several public buildings around the town including the Library and Town Council offices, and we would be grateful if you could spend a few minutes reviewing the panels and telling us what you think about the initial policy ideas. The panels will be up from the 1st to 15th September. Once they have gathered all of your feedback, the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

will then reflect on your comments before producing a first draft of the full Neighbourhood Plan later in the year. That document will once again be the subject of public consultation so that you can feedback at every step in the process.

### Meeting dates – Council and Committees

The Town Council normally meets on the first Tuesday of each month with the Finance & General Purposes and the Leisure Environment Enterprise & Tourism Committees meeting on the third Tuesday, during alternative months. Planning applications are dealt with by the Planning, Lighting & Highways committee which meets on both the first and third Tuesdays monthly. Dates until December 2021 are set out below. The complete list is available on the Town Council's website with agenda being published seven days before the event giving starting times.

#### September

7th Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Town Council

21st Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Leisure Environment Enterprise & Tourism

#### October

5th Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Town Council

19th Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Finance and General Purposes

#### November

2nd Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Town Council

16th Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Leisure Environment Enterprise & Tourism

#### December

7th Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Town Council

21st Planning Lighting & Highways followed by Finance and General Purposes

## By-election – could you be a Councillor?

Following a recent bereavement, the Town Council has a vacancy as follows:

Central Ward

Could you be a Councillor? Parish and Town Councils are the most local level of government in England. They are independent bodies with responsibility for representing all residents in the parish, running many local services, commenting on planning applications and long-term development issues, and collecting money for their budget through the 'precept' as part of council tax. They also have wide ranging powers to become involved in further activities that contribute towards the improvement of the environment and quality of life in the parish.

All town Councillors are residents who have volunteered and been elected by residents who are on the electoral role for the specified ward. They are unpaid and normally serve four-year terms. As we are partly through a term, in this instance, the successful candidate will serve until May 2023.

Any interested resident can decide to stand as a town Councillor. You do not need to have experience of local government or state a political allegiance but do need to be nominated by two other ward residents. It is anticipated that nomination forms will be available from the beginning of September and will need to be submitted shortly thereafter.

To find out more, have a look at the National Association of local Councils website (<a href="www.nalc.gov.uk">www.nalc.gov.uk</a>), contact the Norfolk Association of Parish and Town Councils on 01603 664869 or <a href="mailto:enquries@ncaptc.gov.uk">enquries@ncaptc.gov.uk</a> or the Town Clerk on 01953 603302.

## Who are your councillors?

As a result of the elections in May 2019, and subsequent by-elections, the following have been elected to serve until the next Local Government elections in May 2023 (May 2025 for County Councillors), representing Wymondham on the county (NCC), district (SNC) and/or town councils.

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