



Okehampton Town Council

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Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October

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## NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2022

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### HM Queen Elizabeth II 1926 - 2022

It was with great sorrow that on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022 news of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was announced and on behalf of the Town Council, The Mayor, Councillor Tolley said,

'During her seventy year reign, she never once failed in her duties, despite the perplexities at home and abroad, in public and in private.

She has been the epitome of Service, Duty and Dignity with the ability to embrace and move with the times and was a constant inspiration to everyone in this nation.

Her conduct on the throne will be a model and a guide to constitutional sovereigns throughout the world, today and in future generations.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to all members of the royal family.'



### Okehampton Town Council's Annual Civic Parade - Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September

The parade and service did not go ahead in its planned format because of the sad passing of HM Queen Elizabeth II whose state funeral took place on 19<sup>th</sup> September. A joint Service of Remembrance was held in its place at Fairplace Church.

### Remembrance Parade and Service – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Road closure will be in force for a short time on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November to facilitate the Parade from Fore Street to All Saints Church for the Service and again for its return to the town centre. Further details will be published nearer the event.



### Councillor Co-option

Councillor Allenton Fisher was co-opted to the South Ward of Okehampton Town Council on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022 filling the vacancy left by a recent resignation.

### Mayor's Walkabout Quiz

To keep you entertained for an hour or two whilst visiting our lovely town Cllr Tolley has put together a walkabout quiz sheet. The quiz is available from the Town Hall and other locations in the town for the cost of £1 which will go to the Mayor's Charity, Dream-A-Way.

### Community Governance – Boundary Review Petition Update

Okehampton Town Council has collected more than the number of signatures required to request that West Devon Borough Council undertakes a review of the town boundary. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to sign the petition to date. The petition was presented to WDBC on 27<sup>th</sup> September from when they have 12 months in which to undertake the review.

## Town Council Grants

This year, 2022/23, the Council has a budget of £29,000 for the award of grants supporting not-for-profit community organisations and groups for the benefit of the residents of Okehampton. Contact the office for details of how to apply or find them on the [website](#).

**The grant application process has been reviewed and is changing for forthcoming years. Details can be found on the Council's website or obtained from the Town Hall.**

## Coming up in October

- 1<sup>st</sup> Scouts Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Blood Donation Session (Charter Hall)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Get Changed Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 12<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> Anderton & Rowland Fair
- 15<sup>th</sup> Carnival Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Councillor Surgery (Town Hall)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> RBL Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 29<sup>th</sup> Community Transport Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)  
Wren Ceilidh (Charter Hall)

## November

- 1<sup>st</sup> Friendly Circle (Coffee Morning)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Okehampton Friends of Hospicare (Charter Hall)
- 12<sup>th</sup> Inner Wheel Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 13<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Parade and Service
- 17<sup>th</sup> Blood Donation Session (Charter Hall)  
Councillor Surgery (Town Hall)
- 18<sup>th</sup> Abba Tribute Band (Charter Hall)
- 19<sup>th</sup> Everything Okehampton Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Footsteps Dance Performance (Charter Hall)
- 26<sup>th</sup> Lions Coffee Morning (Charter Hall)
- 27<sup>th</sup> Footsteps (Charter Hall)

## Town Council Meeting Dates

### October

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Parks Committee
- 17<sup>th</sup> Full Council (4pm)  
Planning Committee
- 24<sup>th</sup> Policy & Resources Committee
- 31<sup>st</sup> Full Council

Meeting dates for the 2022/23 Mayoral Year were agreed at the Annual Council Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> May and can be found on the [website](#). Some Planning Committee Meetings have been scheduled; others will be convened as they are needed.

Council meetings normally start at 7pm are held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Fore Street. Occasionally meetings are subject to change, the [website](#) or noticeboard in the Victorian Arcade should be checked for up-to-date information.

## Charter Hall Roofing Work Update

The project is now not likely to start within the next few months, if at all this year.

## Clapps Wood Footpath Closure

Please be aware that the footpath through Clapps Wood will be closed from 8am on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> to 8am on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October.

## Simmons Park Car Park Closure

Anderton & Rowland Fair are coming to Okehampton in October and to accommodate them the majority of the car park will be closed from 8<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October inclusive.



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Cllr Deborah Sanger (Deputy Mayor)  
Cllr Terry Abbots  
Cllr Allenton Fisher  
Cllr Jan Goffey  
Cllr Carole Holt  
Cllr Dr Michael Ireland  
Cllr Paul Jessop  
Cllr Tony Leech  
Cllr Christine Marsh  
Cllr Brendan Matravers  
Cllr Debra Travers  
Cllr Ann Wood  
Cllr Julie Yelland

Individual Councillors contact details can be obtained from the Office or website.