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NEWS UPDATE

The  
Newsletter  
of Felixstowe  
Town Council

## Hello from the Town Mayor



As I write this article, we're nearly three weeks into 2019, and Christmas 2018 is rapidly becoming a memory.

December was a remarkable month, starting with the Lights Switch-On (thanks to Cllr Tracey Green for officiating) and an excellent - much appreciated - Christmas Concert in aid of my two charities. This took place

whilst I was in China, having been invited to speak about Felixstowe's culture and tourism.

Our new dedicated PCSO, Ben Sagi, started work in the town in December. Don't forget that Ben has a monthly "surgery" in the Town Hall on a Monday morning. If you have a matter to bring to his attention, please phone the Town Hall to find out when the next session will take place.

On my return from Shanghai, we commenced the traditional Mayoral visits to Felixstowe's care homes, managing 14 in all! It was good to find residents in good heart, thanks to the dedicated care given by staff - the vast majority of whom are local residents. We owe them all a huge debt of gratitude.

After that we had the opening of the Ice Rink at Gt Eastern Square, which was once again a great success. Then on Christmas Day I joined more than 400 St Elizabeth's Hospice supporters in the traditional sea dip, followed by hospital visits and welcoming guests at the Salvation Army Christmas lunch.

Whilst January is traditionally a quiet month for the Mayor, we did of course commemorate the horrific floods of 31st January 1953 - the night when so many Felixstowe people lost their lives (or were bereaved) - at the memorial in Langer Road.

I close with a reminder that the Mayor's Charity Ball will be held on the evening of Friday 22nd March at the Orwell Hotel. Tickets are £37.50 (£360 for a table of 10), and are available from the Mayor's Secretary on 01394 288193 or email [lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk](mailto:lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk). You are guaranteed a splendid evening, dancing to the band Solid Gold (kindly sponsored by Mr & Mrs R Bugg).

Best wishes,

**Cllr Graham Newman**  
Mayor of Felixstowe 2018-19

If you would like the Mayor to attend a function, or to simply ask him a question, contact [mayor@felixstowe.gov.uk](mailto:mayor@felixstowe.gov.uk)

## Mayor's Charity Events

### Monday 4th February 2019

Mayor's Charity Curry Night at Bombay Nite Indian Restaurant.

### Friday 22nd March 2019

Mayor's Charity Ball at The Orwell Hotel.

For further information or to buy tickets contact Lorna Monsen on 01394 288193 or email [lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk](mailto:lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk)

## Civic Awards

The Town Council is seeking nominations for this year's Civic Awards. Up to 5 **Mayor's Awards** will be presented by the Town Mayor to individuals who have given their time to voluntary or community service in Felixstowe over the past year. The Awards will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting, at Felixstowe Academy at 7pm on Wednesday 8th May.

The **HMS Ganges Youth Trophy** is awarded annually to a young person or group of young people under the age of 21 who have carried out valuable work for the community over the past year.

If you know someone who you think deserves an award, let us know! Nomination forms are available from the Town Hall or via email from [lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk](mailto:lorna.monsen@felixstowe.gov.uk). Forms should be returned to the Town Hall by 31st March.

## Community defibrillators reach double figures



Thanks to the generosity of The Felixstowe Society, the Town Council and the East of England Co-op have been able to host two further defibrillators in the town centre (outside the East of England Co-op store,

Hamilton Road, and the Senior Citizens Centre, Broadway House, Orwell Road). Felixstowe now has 10 of these devices, which are kept within secure high-visibility cabinets so that they can be accessed at all times in case of an emergency. For more details visit our website.

## Important Consultations now underway

Suffolk Coastal District Council's Local Plan Final Draft Consultation is running until 25th February. Find out more at the public drop in session taking place at Felixstowe Town Hall from 3pm - 7pm on Monday 4th February, or visit the District Council's website: [www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/final-draft-local-plan](http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/final-draft-local-plan)

EDF Energy's third stage of public Consultation for a new nuclear power station on the Suffolk coast, Sizewell C, launched in January and runs until Friday 29th March 2019. You can contact the Sizewell C Project Team on FREEPHONE 0800 197 6102 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, or visit [www.edfenergy.com](http://www.edfenergy.com) to find out more.

## Be a local councillor

Elections for both Felixstowe Town Council and the new East Suffolk District Council are being held on Thursday 2nd May 2019. If you are interested in becoming a councillor, an information day is being held at East Suffolk House, Station Road, Melton, IP12 1RT, on Friday 22nd February. Visit [www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/elections](http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/elections) or call the Electoral Services Team on 01394 444422.

## Motorists advised to park with care

The locally funded Police Community Support Officer, whose priorities include on-street parking control, is urging motorists to check that they are parked legally to avoid incurring a fine. PCSO Sagi reported 104 parking offences in the town centre during December, his first month in his new role.



## Get plotting for a fruitful 2019

If you are seeking fresh air and exercise in the New Year, why not join our thriving community of green-fingered gardeners and reap the benefits of growing your own organic fruit and veg? For more details on how you can rent an allotment plot (available from as little as £21 for a whole year) contact Sue Faversham on 01394 288191 or email [sue.faversham@felixstowe.gov.uk](mailto:sue.faversham@felixstowe.gov.uk)

## EVENTS

### Flood Memorial Wreath Laying

Join us for a short service led by Reverend Andrew Dotchin at 10am, Thursday 31st January, at the Felixstowe Flood Memorial, Langer Road, to commemorate the Anniversary of the 1953 North Sea Floods, which claimed 41 lives locally and over 300 people in English coastal towns and villages.

### Felixstowe Fairtrade Fortnight 2019

This year's Fairtrade Fortnight at St. John's Church will be officially launched on Monday 25th February at 10.30am. This will include a Coffee Morning with Fairtrade refreshments and homemade cakes. Visit the Felixstowe Fairtrade Forum website for more details: [www.felixstowe-fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.felixstowe-fairtrade.org.uk)

### Flying the flag for the Commonwealth

The Town Council is proud to again be joining hundreds of others across the United Kingdom and beyond when the flag of the Commonwealth will be flown in unison across the member states on Commonwealth Day this year. The Mayor will be raising the Commonwealth flag at 10am on Monday 11th March 2019 at the flag pole beside the Town Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us for this wonderful occasion.

A full list of events for February and beyond is available at [www.visitfelixstowe.org.uk](http://www.visitfelixstowe.org.uk) or [www.facebook.com/visitfelixstowe](https://www.facebook.com/visitfelixstowe)

### Find Felixstowe Town Council on Facebook and Twitter



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### Officials of the Council:

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### WHEN WE MEET

Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees are held at Felixstowe Town Hall and are open to the public - feel free to come along. There is a public session at the start of each meeting so that you can ask questions on Felixstowe related matters.

### Forthcoming meetings:

- Planning & Environment: 30th January 2019, 9.15am
- Assets & Services: 6th February 2019, 7.30pm
- Planning & Environment: 13th February 2019, 9.15am
- Civic & Community: 20th February 2019, 7.30pm
- Planning & Environment: 27th February 2019, 9.15am
- Planning & Environment: 13th March 2019, 9.15am
- Full Council: 13th March 2019, 7.30pm
- Planning & Environment: 27th March 2019, 9.15am
- Finance & General Purposes: 27th March 2019, 7.30pm

### WHAT WE DO...

#### Some services the Town Council provides:

- Allotments • Felixstowe in Flower • Cemetery • Broadway House and Walton Community Hall • Felixstowe Town Hall Lettings
- Youth Forum • Civic occasions and Flood Memorial
- Grant Support to Local Organisations

#### Some of what we do in partnership:

- Consultation on planning applications • Libraries
- Highways matters/transport issues • Safer neighbourhoods
- Felixstowe Forward • Twinning • Christmas Lighting
- Play area/sports facilities

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