



# LEIGH-ON-SEA TOWN COUNCIL NEWS FLASH - JUNE 2019

## C O U N C I L   N E W S

### NEW COUNCIL

Leigh-on-Sea Town Council is delighted to announce the new Council Administration for 2019 - 2023, following the Local Elections in May. There were a lot of changes this year with 7 councillors ending their term, including Jill Adair, John Duprey, Patrick Fox, Gerry Glover, Fr. Clive Hillman, Ron Owen and Valerie Morgan. The Council would like to thank them for their time and service over the last four years. The new administration welcomes new councillors Alan Hart who stood unopposed in St. James' Ward, and Mike Wells and Douglas Cracknell who won their positions in the Elms Ward election. Three vacancy's were co-opted on the 10th June with Emma Smith in Highlands Ward, Damian O' Boyle in Herschell Ward, and our youngest ever councillor Andrew Wilkins who at just 19 will be representing Thames Ward. We have one further vacancy but legal procedures are being followed to fill this in due course. Councillor details are as follows:



DAMIAN O'BOYLE, EMMA SMITH &  
ANDREW WILKINS

#### Bonchurch Ward

Cllr Jill Healey - [cllrhealey@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrhealey@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### Elms Ward

Cllr Douglas Cracknell - [cllracknell@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllracknell@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Caroline Parker - [councillor@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:councillor@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Mike Wells - [cllrwells@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrwells@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### Herschell Ward

Cllr Declan Mulrone - [cllrdmulrone@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrdmulrone@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Damian O'Boyle - [cllroboyle@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllroboyle@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### Highlands Ward

Cllr Mark Bromfield - [cllrbromfield@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrbromfield@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Emma Smith - [cllrsmith@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrsmith@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### Leigh Road Ward

Cllr Anita Forde - [cllrforde@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrforde@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Paul Gilson - [cllrgilson@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrgilson@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### St Clements Ward

Cllr Carole Mulrone - [cllrcmulrone@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrcmulrone@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Vivien Rosier - [cllrrosier@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrrosier@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### St James Ward

Cllr Alan Hart - [cllrhart@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrhart@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

#### Thames Ward

Cllr Keith Evans - [cllrevans@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrevans@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

Cllr Andrew Wilkins - [cllrwilkins@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:cllrwilkins@leighonseatowncouncil.gov.uk)

### NEW CHAIRMAN



CLLR JILL HEALEY

Cllr Valerie Morgan officially stepped down from the Council on Tuesday 14th May at the Annual Council Meeting. Previous Vice-Chairman Cllr. Jill Healey was elected as Chairman, with Cllr Vivien Rosier elected as Vice-Chairman. The Town Council would like to thank Hattons Jewellers for their kind donation of the past Chairman's pin.

### COMMUNITY CENTRE REFURBISHMENT

The remodel of the Community Centre is now well underway. The last 6 months has seen a replacement lift installed, essential roof repairs undertaken and the restoration of the Lantern Light. The next phase of the refurbishment includes replacement windows in Room 1, the remodelling of public and office areas, including a refurbishment of the ground floor toilets. Works will be delivered with minimal disruption to hirers and centre users.

### NEW COMMITTEES

Committees have been restructured this year with new titles to better suit the work of the Council. These now include Finance & Governance, and Community & Culture; an amalgamation of the previous Environment & Leisure and Community Facilities Committees. The Planning, Licensing & Highways and Staffing committees remain as before. The Chairmen for 2019-2020 Committees are as follows:

#### Finance & Governance

##### Committee

Cllr. Mark Bromfield - Chairman

Cllr. Declan Mulrone - Vice-

Chairman

#### Community & Culture Committee

Cllr. Carole Mulrone - Chairman

Cllr. Anita Forde - Vice-Chairman

#### Staffing Committee

Cllr. Mark Bromfield - Chairman

Cllr. Keith Evans - Vice-Chairman

#### Planning, Licensing & Highways Committee

Cllr. Jill Healey - Chairman

Cllr. Caroline Parker - Vice-

Chairman

### HANGING BASKETS



The Council would like to thank local businesses and groups who have helped deliver some beautiful hanging baskets to our streets with their sponsorship. These include Mughal Dynasty, Flour & Spoon, 11 Plus Pod, St. Clements Church, S.Stibbards & Sons, Gas Connect Boiler Cover and Wild Health. The flowers can be seen along the Broadway, Broadway West, Rectory Grove, Elm Road, Leigh Road and London Road.

### CHAIRMAN'S CHARITY

In her year as Chairman, Valerie Morgan chose Southend YMCA as her Chairman's Charity. Funds of £1060.95 were raised through a series of community events including Carols on Strand Wharf, a quiz night, Jazz Café event and an Easter Bunny Hunt. Valerie would like to thank all local residents who helped to raise funds for her charity. Cllr Jill Healey as Town Council Chairman for 2019/20 has chosen Age Concern Southend as her charity for the year, which she will be supporting through a variety of Councillor led events. Age Concern Southend has been helping older people in the Southend area since 1974, that's over 40 years of expertise in providing support, advice and services to our community. Age Concern Southend provide advice, support, befriending, transport, wheelchair hire, community clubs and leisure/social activities. Find out more by visiting [www.acsos.co.uk](http://www.acsos.co.uk). Registered charity number 1160916.



VALERIE MORGAN PRESENTING CHEQUE TO  
SOUTHEND YMCA CEO SYRIE COX

### ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Leigh-on-Sea Town Council are delighted to announce their newest Artist in Residence; Kerry Doyland, who is primarily a painter of life. Working alongside the Town Council's Art Group, Kerry will assist in the creation of exhibitions at the Community Centre, and will be commissioned by the Town Council for a legacy piece of artwork.

"I'm thrilled to be given an opportunity to set up large atelier-style roomsets, and to be able to share the joys of painting from life, with other artists."



KERRY DOYLAND

## E V E N T S



### YOUTH MARKET

After the success of last year's very first Youth Market by the Town Council, this year's event will be held at the new location of Strand Wharf, Old Leigh on Sunday 14th July from 11am until 4pm. Over twenty 16 - 25 year olds will have the opportunity to run their own stall for free to help launch their businesses. Young entertainers will also be performing throughout the event. Entry is free to all so please come along and support these very talented young people!

### LEIGH FARMERS' MARKETS

Our Farmer's Market takes place in Leigh Community Centre's Donald Fraser Hall on the 3rd Friday of the month 9am-1pm. One of the longest running markets in the Essex area, priding itself on delivering local produce to our residents. We provide a range of stalls selling all different types of homegrown produce. The stall holders must have grown or made the goods themselves, and all traders come from within a 30-mile radius. Come down and have a browse we're sure you will go home with something delicious!

2019 DATES: 19th July | 16th August | 20th September  
18th October | 15th November | 21st December

### OVER 60'S SOCIAL CLUB

On the second Wednesday of every month, Leigh-on-Sea Town Council hosts an Over 60's Social Club at Leigh Community Centre. The club runs from 10am - 12pm, and is just £2 per person.

Unlimited tea, coffee and biscuits are available, as well as board games, and there is a different activity every month. There is no need to book, just turn up! The following dates are:

10th July - Seated Exercise | 14th August - Shared Reading | 11th September - Ukulele Sing-a-long | 9th October - Gardening Demonstration | 13th November - Arts & Crafts | 11th December - Christmas Party

### SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

Leigh Community Centre has an exciting array of activities planned for the Summer Holidays, starting on Monday 29th July until Friday 31st August including magic shows, balloon modelling, Princess Parties, art and animal events. Full details for the events will be released on the 8th July. Events will need to be booked and paid for in advance. For more information visit our website [www.leighcommunitycentre.com](http://www.leighcommunitycentre.com).

### COMMUNITY DAY

Over 800 people attended the Town Council's second annual Community Day on Sunday 9th June in Bonchurch Park. The free event had a focus of health and well-being in the community, with a variety of stalls from local charities and community groups. There were 32 stallholders exhibiting and performances took place throughout the day from local dance and drama groups. The Town Council would like to thank everyone who attended and took part, and look forward to next years event.

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*Helen Symmons PSLCC*

*Chairman:*  
*Cllr Jill Healey*