

YEAR END SPEECH

ARMAND TOMS MAYOR 16th MAY, 2016

Good evening everyone we have come together tonight to celebrate the work of the Council over the past year.

People often say what does the Council do, well looking at the list of achievements this year a lot. That is due to the hard work of the Council staff and Councillors of the Council. It is not just one person but a team, of course some do more than others but the combined effort gives the net result.

The year started with the Bowling Club taking over its Club from Cornwall Council, a issue that had been around for many years. Only last week I visited the club at their open day and could see it was achieving and improving the facilities and recruiting new members.

Seats around the town have been replaced at very little cost to the town as they were sponsored by both residents and visitors. Notice boards have been located around the town giving information to residents and visitors. Salt bins have been replaced and new ones added. The Council web site has been updated and provides information on all aspects of the Councils work. The Council rules, regulations and policies have been renewed or updated.

The Tourist Information Centre has been refurbished and restocked, early indications show an improved turnover in sales. Several events have been supported by the Council including the Torch Light Procession and the Santa Fun Run.

Mayor projects such as the new allotments, public conveniences and the Mariners Garden all started and are nearing completion. All of the importance to the businesses and residents of the town, delivering a better quality of service by the Council.

All of what I have said tonight could not have been achieved without the work of your town Council Officers and Councillors. I thank them all and they should be proud of a year of progress. Personally I could not have achieved this without them.

I have some small gifts for those who have supported me throughout the year:

Martin and Julie Gregory as Deputy Mayor and Mayoress

Philip Sharp - The Mayors Chaplain

Heather Toms and Jean Woodman Town Mace Bearers

Anne Frith, Annette Keen and Laura Kellaway for their support

Rayna my wife for her support over the year

Now we come to the most important part of the night as this is the distribution of the Mayor's Charity money, those are