

MAYOR'S REPORT COUNCILLOR ARMAND TOMS

NEW COUNCILLOR

I welcome our new Councillor Beverley Richardson to the Council and look forward to working with her and hope she enjoys the experience. As other Councillors will tell her it is sometimes hard work, but it is also very rewarding.

FOOTBALL CLUB PRESENTATION

It is always a pleasure to attend the Looe Town Football Club presentation night as the club is one of the biggest in the town and covers a vast age range. This year Geraldine Oliver and I were joined by the Ex Argyle Manager Paul Sturrock to present the trophies. It was a great night and I must comment on the behaviour and dress of those players attending which both were exemplary and reflected well on the club. The club has won a number of trophies in competitions and gain promotion to higher leagues.

ARMED FORCES

I met group of disabled servicemen raising money for the Help for Hero's charity stopped at Sea View Holiday Camp in their journey from John O'Groats to Landsend. They were not taking the easy route as they criss cross the country visiting different places on the way. It was good to see our local RBL working hard at the Armed Forces Day and raised a fantastic sum of money, well done all those involved.

LUGGER REGATTA

Although this year the numbers of visiting boats was down due to the bad weather it was great to see those who braved the weather to attend this year's Regatta. I took to the high vantage point on the Wooldown to view the races and what a brilliant sight it was. Presenting the prizes is always a pleasure for me as I was able to present a prize to the new owner of my grandfather's boat he skippered the Guiding Star. Thank you to the organisers for the event as this is a great part of Looe History.

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE PROMOTION IN PLYMOUTH

A big thank you to Anne Libby and Councillor Chris Rose in helping out with the Devon and Cornwall Rail Partnership event in Plymouth to promote Looe visitors by rail. Having spoken to so many people during the day it is clear that Looe is a popular destination for the day visitor from the city. From those I spoke to there was a significant number that take weekend breaks in the town and area. The Partnership have said that we communicated with over 700 people on the day.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE ALLOTMENTS, ST MARTINS

On Saturday the 1st July, 2017 I was delighted to be asked to open the Looe Allotment Associations site at St Martins. The event was well attended by Councillors and it was so nice to hear Hugh Hedderly the Association Chair saying how helpful the Council had been during the setting up process. There are allotments in all stages of progress and some that are in full production there has obviously been a lot of hard work and enjoyment on

this site. In my speech to those present I was able to thank individual Councillors and the Council for their support in getting the site up and running (although it did take 5 years).

YELLOW FISH EVENT

I must thank Gill Bridges for the Yellow Fish Event held at the Polrean Country House on Sunday the 2nd July, 2017. A well attended event with dancing from Sheila's School of Dancing as well as story telling for the youngsters. The theme is to get people to understand that what is put down the yellow fish marked drains goes directly into the sea. This has an effect on the local bathing water quality and our beach.

MANY MORE

I could write all day about the fantastic events that happen around the town from Coast to Cove, Rowing Regatta, community clean up and many many more. We have such a vibrant town and the events happen thick and fast at this time of year. Thank you all for doing what you do but keep on doing it.